

WEATHER SYNOPSIS

An ocean storm is still causing southerly gales on the coast. A mild weather exists eastward to Alaska.

WOUNDED THROUGH TO HOSPITALS

Bluefields Receives Many Casualties From Civil War in Nicaragua—United States States Doctors Aid

MANY BODIES ARE BURIED ON BEACH

Official Communique Says Generals Were Ordered to Withdraw, But Received Message Too Late

MANAGUA, Dec. 30.—Cuyamel Fruit Company's power barge arrived at Bluefields today from Las Perlas with seventy-one wounded liberal troops and fifty-eight wounded conservative troops, many of them in a serious condition. Some of the soldiers had suffered from their wounds for two or three days without medical attention.

Bluefields is described as one huge hospital, and the American navy doctors will assist in taking care of the most serious cases. The killed on both sides are estimated at seventy, though exact figures cannot be obtained. Many of the dead are lying half buried on the beach at Las Perlas.

Advices received here indicate a clear liberal victory, but President Diaz said today, "I gave my generals orders to withdraw two or three days before the battle, but on account of poor communication the order did not arrive until after the fighting began. I knew we were outnumbered and that the enemy had many more guns, and it was useless to fight. So, the greater part of the army withdrew, leaving 400 men to cover the retreat."

Marooned in Deep Snowdrifts on Top of Mountain

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 30.—Marooned for three days with his airplane in deep snowdrifts on top of a mountain, twelve miles southeast of Mexicali, during which he subsisted on barley beer, was the unusual experience of W. J. Barrows, a pilot of the Ryan Air Lines, who returned to San Diego today.

Barrows is believed to be the first Southern California aviator to be snowed out. He said his experience was sufficient to last him a couple of winters.

Barrows was one of three pilots from San Diego engaged in the transportation of barley beer from Mexicali to Tijuana by airplane. Piloting a small plane, he landed his ship on a plateau, 4,000 feet above sea level, where the beer was delivered in trucks. At that time, Barrows said, there was three feet of snow on the plateau, and the snow had piled so thick about his plane, he was unable to take off.

The aviator remained with his ship until this morning, when the snow had thawed sufficiently to permit him again to take the air.

King Albert and Queen Elizabeth Visit Riviera en Famille

SAINT RAPHAEL, Var, France, Dec. 30.—Traveling with the family of ordinary Riviera tourists, King Albert and Queen Elizabeth of Belgium, with their son, Prince Charles, stepped from the noon train here today to spend a fortnight or more holidays. King Albert himself fetched a carriage in which he and the Queen drove to a hotel.

Ice Yacht Fatality

PICTOU, N.S., Dec. 30.—A tragic drowning occurred here today when Robert Anderson, eighteen, of Pictou, lost his life after an accident upon which he and a friend, John MacLean, had been sailing, crashed through the ice. Mr. MacLean managed to save himself, but could find no trace of his friend.



Friday, December 31

THE WEATHER

Victoria and vicinity—Fresh to strong southerly winds; mild, with rain.

Sun Rises: 8:03 o'clock.
Sun Sets: 4:28 o'clock.
High Tide: 11:34 a.m., 9.3 feet.
Low Tide: 7:36 p.m., 2.6 feet.

Sport

Hockey finals, St. Pat's, Boston 1; Canadiens 1, Pittsburgh 0; Montreal 2, Detroit 0.

The News

Lower water rates will be sought by Alderman Woodward. Isaac charges of ninety cents suggested on new scale.

Oak Bay School Board will submit money by-law to ratepayers at second meeting. Want approximately \$7,000 to erect Monterey School auditorium.

City auditorium will be sworn in this morning.

Suggestion will be made to restore church land to tax-paying column exempting buildings from taxation.

Premier Bruce addresses United States officers in Washington.

YOUTHS DISCUSS ARMY TRAINING

Discipline and Clean Living Inculcated in System Now in Force, Is Sentiment of Junior Parliament

DIVISION PRECEDED BY LIVELY DISCUSSION

Victoria Youth Believes Athletic Exercise Will Take Place of System Now in Force—Vote Definite

BY a vote of 12 to 25, the Fourth Older Boys' Parliament in session here yesterday refused to go on record as being opposed to military training in the public schools of the Province.

The resolution was sponsored by Herbert Bladen (Salmon Arm), Minister of Intellectual Affairs, and read as follows:

"Whereas there is a growing desire on the part of the Canadian people and of people in all civilized countries that war can be abolished by the application of Christian principles; and whereas the keeping alive of the desire for war is fostered by military training; therefore be it resolved that this House place itself on record as being opposed to military training in the public schools."

A short but lively debate preceded the division of the House. Clifford Babcock (North Vancouver), leader of the Opposition, declared that the Boys' Parliament had no power to dictate to the school authorities.

Speaking in favor of the resolution, J. Fairley (Kamloops), said that military training offered no benefit to the boy that could not be secured as effectively through athletic training.

A. T. Campbell (Kootenay West), declared that it was not for the members of the House to tell the Provincial Government what it should do with regard to the educational system.

Repeating, R. V. McLean (Kamloops), declared that the resolution was in no sense a demand upon the Government, but was worded in such a fashion as merely to record the attitude of the Boys' Parliament.

It was not desirable that a boy should become a "mercenary," said Montell Dunmore (Victoria). What military training would do for a boy, athletic training would accomplish. It was to be remembered that the method of the Germans had been the method of blood and iron, and that the Germans had been defeated. The object of the resolution was to influence people against war.

Robert Pound (New Westminster), said that interest in the educational system had all but vanished in the schools of his city. It was a useless expense to buy rifles and uniforms when they were not appreciated, he contended.

The chief object of military training was to inculcate a spirit of discipline, said F. Spry (Kamloops, Vancouver), and that was one of the objects of the C.S.E.T.

OIL LANDS MAY REVERT TO STATE

MEXICAN SITUATION BECOMES TENSE THROUGH ACTION OF GOVERNMENT

Present Title Holders Show No Disposition to Apply for Confirmation of Concessions

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 30.—The Mexican Government theoretically will become one of the biggest owners of oil lands in the world on January 1, unless there is a last-minute alteration in the situation brought about by promulgation of the new petroleum and land laws and the failure of the oil companies thus far to accept the new laws.

Under the terms of the new regulations all oil lands under foreign title, the holders of which have not applied for confirmatory concessions before January 1, will automatically revert to the Mexican Government.

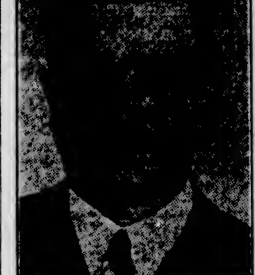
President Calles has refused to grant an extension of time for making these regulations effective.

Neither government officials nor representative of the oil companies here have accurate statistics regarding all the property involved, but unofficial estimates are that many thousands of acres with a potential value of perhaps billions of dollars are affected.

Fundamentally the deadlock between the Mexican Government and the most important foreign oil companies continues apparently unchanged with much uncertainty as to the present status of uncertainty may remain indefinitely.

Senor Morones, secretary of commerce and industry, has announced that the government will not turn over to third parties the leases on the oil lands reverting to the government because of failure of the present title-holders to apply for new confirmatory concessions.

Former Deputy Speaker To Contest By-Election



MR. WILLIAM DUFF

GUYSBORO, N.S., Dec. 30.—William Duff, former member for Queens, Lunenburg, and Deputy Speaker in the last House, was chosen by the Liberal party in convention here today to contest the dual constituency of Antigonish-Guyshoro in the by-election to be held January 18, to fill the vacancy created by the death of J. C. Douglas.

TAX ON CHURCH LAND IS SOUGHT

ALDERMAN WOODWARD WILL BRING IN ALTERNATIVE SCHEME OF TAXATION

Council May Seek Legislation to Have Exemption on Church Property Rescinded

An effort will be made by Alderman Woodward in the near future to place church land on the tax paying column and exempt the buildings from taxation, it was learned yesterday.

Alderman Woodward stated that he would suggest this as an alternative to the intention of the Council to seek legislation that would remove the tax exemption from churches.

It is Alderman Woodward's contention that under the present law it was not intended that churches should be exempted from taxation, and they were not until the Privy Council read a different intention into the act when giving a decision on the question some years ago.

Assessed value of church property exempted from taxation amounts to \$187,000 within a two-mile radius of the City Hall. Of this sum, \$175,350 is the value of the land.

When the present law was drafted it was not the intention to tax church buildings, as other buildings were used. Alderman Woodward stated. He felt sure that there could be no objection raised by the churches to paying the tax on land if the buildings were exempted, particularly in view of the fact that the land tax was a great deal less than when the dispute arose, and the Privy Council decided down its decision exempting churches from taxation.

The question of taxing churches has been brought to the attention of the number of former office and store buildings now being rented to religious organizations. These buildings are rented to the churches, and the property given in exemption under the Privy Council ruling.

Is Optimistic of Conditions in West

VANCOUVER, Dec. 30.—"With no sign of a boom, but with every evidence of stability and steady progress, the West is going ahead and I am satisfied that conditions are better now than they have been for years," said Charles Murphy, Winnipeg, general manager for Western lines of the Canadian Pacific Railway, on his arrival here this morning on his customary tour of inspection.

"The farmer on the Prairies has got in his crop and with very little loss of grain," said Mr. Murphy. "He is paying off his old debts and is banking money. This prosperity of the Prairies is bound to be very strongly reflected in the Eastern cities as well as in Winnipeg and Vancouver and he would be a pessimist indeed who would view the future of Western Canada in anything but a most hopeful light."

Building Trades "Czar" Succumbs

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—"Big Ben" Brindell is dead. Robert B. Brindell, who held the New York City building trades in the hollow of his hands and squeezed them dry, was a native of Quebec, and was only forty-seven years old.

The body of the great bulk of a man who fought his way up from a dock carpenter to the somewhat dull-faded name of "Czar" of the building trades, lay on a hospital cot tonight, shrunken by disease from its former 194 pounds to hardly more than 100.

And just as he was broken in health during his life's end, so his friends said today he was broken financially. But how great a fortune Brindell amassed from his activities prior to being sent to prison for extortion was never known, but that it was large cannot be doubted.

En Route to Tokyo

FOR MIKADO'S FUNERAL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Prince Chichibu, heir apparent to the Japanese throne, in an informal visit to the White House late today, paid his respects to President Coolidge and expressed his gratitude for the sympathy of the Japanese people in the death of his father, the Emperor.

The Prince left Washington tonight for San Francisco en route to Tokyo, where he will arrive on January 4 for Japan to attend his father's funeral.

FRENCH CHINESE POLICY REFINED

Ambassador Ishii Approves Attitude on Behalf of the Japanese Imperial Government

"HANDS OFF" PRINCIPLE TOLD TO EMBASSIES

France Desires to See Stable Government, With Which to Negotiate as Really Representative

PARIS, Dec. 30.—France's policy of abstention from any interference in the national affairs of China is approved by Japan, Ambassador Ishii is understood to have informed M. Briand, the Foreign Minister, today. M. Briand considered his conference with the Japanese envoy so important that he failed to attend the session of the Cabinet.

Instructions recently sent to the French diplomatic representatives at the various capitals net forth France's intention of keeping her hands off Chinese affairs. The policy of the French Foreign Office was definitely stated in the instructions that "it would be wiser to wait until the present crisis is over in order to be able to negotiate with authorities really representative of the Chinese people."

AMOI, China, Dec. 30.—Dispatches from Foochow, capital of Fukien Province, state that the Standard Oil Co. has been ousted by revolutionary or bandit Chinese soldiers.

Dominican Father Ferner's residence in Kienyang was occupied and looted during his absence this week. Upon his return he was refused admittance. He is staying temporarily at Kienyang.

Great fear has been expressed for the safety of missionaries at Shaoou, scene of recent anti-Christian demonstrations.

Sir James Craig, Ulster Premier, May Have Peerage

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Sir James Craig, Prime Minister of Northern Ireland, is expected to be raised to the peerage in the distribution of the New Year honors.

Sir James, who is in his fifty-sixth year, has been Premier of Northern Ireland since June 7, 1921.

Sir James Craig was a visitor in this city during the second week in September. He was accompanied by Lady Craig. During his visit here he was a guest of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor. A prominent Orangeman, he was entertained at a banquet given in his honor at the Chamber of Commerce by the Victoria Orange Lodges.

Mayorally Recount Ends in Tie Subject To Reserve Decision

SASKATOON, Dec. 30.—When all the ballots had been recounted this morning in the Saskatoon mayorality election, the result was a tie between E. M. Lutz, who was re-elected, and J. W. Hair, applicant for the recount, had gained twenty-five votes, which made the election a tie.

The recount, however, was held about his decision by the judge on fifty-four ballots. Included in the fifty-four are twenty-nine ballots which the deputy returning officers forgot to initial.

Initial, of these nineteen are for G. W. Norman, who was previously declared elected, and ten are for Hair. The remainder of doubtful ballots are about evenly divided between the two contestants.

CITY FATHERS WILL BE SWORN IN TODAY

Alderman Woodward Only Exception—Believes Ceremony to Be Superfluous One

Mayor Penderay and city aldermen for the year 1927 will be sworn in at the Law Courts at 10:30 o'clock this morning by County Judge P. S. Lampman.

Alderman Woodward will be the only member of the council who will not attend the ceremony. He will be sworn in by the city clerk. It is his contention that the swearing in ceremony is superfluous, and not of the character that it should be.

Among the aldermen to be sworn in this morning will be two new members, Alderman-elect James Adam and Alderman-elect H. G. Litchfield. Trustee Litchfield will take the oath accepting the decision of City Solicitor H. S. Pringle and Mr. H. A. MacLean, with regard to his qualifications.

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Car Services on All Lines to Be Augmented Tonight

FOR those citizens who wish to welcome the New Year downtown tonight, either at watch night services or at social engagements, there will be special car services, leaving the downtown section at 12:40 a.m. Announcement to this effect was made last evening from the traffic department of the B.C. Electric Railways, and the service will be warmly welcomed.

Crashing Tree Slays Unfortunate Ballard Woman

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., Dec. 30.—A tree falling across the state highway forty miles north of Santa Barbara at 6 o'clock tonight instantly killed Mrs. Sadie Malloy, of Ballard, and probably fatally injured her daughter. The tree, between Nojomi grade and Bluefish, was one of the largest in the highway, and fell without warning.

NEW WATER RATE SCALE IS SOUGHT

ALDERMAN WOODWARD WILL BRING IN MOTION FOR REDUCTION IN CHARGES

Minimum Rate Would Be Ninety Cents Under New Scale—Will Affect Small Householders

A considerable reduction in city water rates is anticipated in the near future. Alderman Eugene S. Woodward will shortly bring in a motion at a city council meeting that the fixed water charge be reduced, if his scheme goes through, the minimum will be reduced sixty cents to every household.

Under the scale the owner of a five-roomed house would pay only one dollar and \$1.20 as against \$1.50 under the present scale. The rate for a two-room house would be \$1.00, instead of \$1.25. Ten cents per 100 cubic feet would be charged after the minimum had been exceeded under the new scale.

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Kipling's Neighbors Know Little About Famous Author

LONDON, Dec. 30.—"Barwash Toll Lane speaking—what number do you want? Who? Spell it."

"Kipling."

"What's his first name? Well, anyway, there's no one on our list by that name— isn't that the writer? Well, he hasn't any phone—deafest thing in fact, won't even allow a telephone pole in front of his house. He lives down the main road, west, just over a mile. We never see him here in the village, though we've heard about his books, but, telephonically speaking, Kipling don't exist for us. His birthday is... all London will be calling up, but come to think of it I guess it won't bother me. I'm off at 10 o'clock."

BURWASH, Eng., Dec. 30.—Burwash neighbors of Rudyard Kipling, who is sixty-one years old today, say that the noted British author left his home here a few weeks ago for somewhere in France to escape the cold, damp weather here. On his birthday last year he was able to sit up for the first time after a serious illness.

Police "On Their Toes" In Ontario for O.T.A. Uses New Year's Eve

TORONTO, Dec. 30.—Instructions have been issued to the Provincial Police in Ontario to be "on their toes" on New Year's Eve for the purpose of preventing infractions of the O.T.A. and to assist the hotel and cabaret proprietors in seeing that the law is observed. General Victor Williams, commissioner of police, today said: "We are going to co-operate with the local police all over the province. All our officers will be on duty. We will see that the law is observed and assist the hotelkeepers to that end."

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Britain Will Maintain Sea Force Adequate to Protect Civilization

Premier Bruce Tells Gathering of American Officers of Conviction that Conflict Which Would Bring the British Navy Into Action Would Find United States Fighting by Their Side

Washington Hosts Had Been Guests of Australian Leader When at Antipodes

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—As long as naval power is a dominant factor in world peace, Great Britain will maintain an adequate navy and the British navy will never go into action except to protect civilization, Premier Stanley M. Bruce, of Australia, told one hundred naval officers of the United States forces today. He was convinced, he said, that a conflict which brought the British fleets into action would find the United States fighting by their side.

Round of Formalities

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce, who arrived here from New York this morning, were overwhelmed in a hectic round of formalities all day.

Mr. Bruce was the guest of Secretary of Navy Wilbur and the United States Navy during the luncheon. The officers present were among those who were entertained by the Premier and Mrs. Bruce when the United States fleet visited Australia two years ago. Secretary Wilbur, Admiral Cointz and Vice Admiral Wiley expressed appreciation of the heavy reception Australia had accorded the fleet.

In the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Bruce were guests at an unofficial reception at the British Embassy. No official entertainment had been planned because of the death in England of Ambassador Howard's son.

White House Landscaping

Sir Borne and Lady Howard called at the White House today to pay their respects to President Coolidge and it was arranged that Mr. and Mrs. Bruce should be at the White House luncheon guests tomorrow.

Sir Hugh Denison, Australian High Commissioner, entertained the distinguished visitors tonight at a dinner at which were present Secretary of State Kellogg and other Cabinet officials.

Forty Injured When Panic Occurs in Picture Theatre

SANTA ANA, San Salvador, Dec. 30.—Forty persons were injured in a panic when a film of a fire in the principal motion picture theatre here today. Six of them are in a serious condition.

LONGUEUIL SEES SERIOUS FLOOD

FURNACE FIRES ARE QUENCHED BY RISING WATERS OF ST. LAWRENCE

MONTREAL, Dec. 30.—River waters, backing from an ice jam, rose seven feet off Longueuil on the south shore of the St. Lawrence, tonight, and filled the cellars of more than two hundred homes on eight streets. Furnace fires were quenched and families, fearing the water might continue to rise, retreated to the upper floors of their dwellings.

Weeping children, nervous old ladies and anxious mothers, bundled in overcoats, blankets and other available clothing were huddled in shivering groups about their windows and viewed cheerless scenes in the streets below. Huge chunks of ice floated over the roads and at high water mark, five hundred feet from the river's edge, blocks of ice jammed the thoroughfares.

The men folk paddled about in boats attempting to remove horses, cattle and barnyard fowl from the threat of the rising waters. As far as can be learned there was no destruction of horses or cattle, but the loss in fowl will be considerable.

ASKS SUBMISSION OF SCHOOL BY-LAW

OAK BAY RATEPAYERS TO BE REQUESTED TO APPROVE SUGGESTED EXPENDITURE

Auditorium for Monterey Avenue School Will Be Subject of Poll at Municipal Elections

Another attempt will be made by the Oak Bay School Board to secure approval of the ratepayers of approximately \$7,000 to erect an auditorium to the Monterey Avenue School at the forthcoming municipal poll to be held on January 15. At a special meeting of the Council last evening, today was set as the final date for the submission by the School Board of the estimates for the proposed new structure.

Last year a by-law for a similar purpose and amount was voted upon by the ratepayers, but was defeated by a substantial margin. On Monday night another special meeting of the Council will be held, when the by-law will be given its first and second readings.

The School Board, in again asking that a by-law be submitted, point out that the proposed auditorium is urgently required to afford provision for facilities for the assembling of pupils and for other purposes, the present lack of which seriously militates against the best interests of the scholars and staff.

The cost of the proposed structure will be in the neighborhood of \$10,000, one-third of which will be paid by the Provincial Government.

C.P.R. Appointment

TORONTO, Dec. 30.—Mr. H. C. Groat, general superintendent of the Canadian Pacific Railway, announced this morning the appointment of Mr. W. M. Campbell as assistant to the general superintendent, Ontario district with headquarters in Toronto.

Mr. Campbell has for the last nine years acted as chief clerk to this department, coming from Winnipeg where he joined the Canadian Pacific as stenographer in 1909. He is of Scottish descent, and at thirty-eight years of age the youngest official to qualify for such a responsible position on the Canadian Pacific eastern lines.

Washington Quake Failed to Register

SEATTLE, Dec. 30.—Although an earthquake which shook Washington at 10 o'clock this morning was felt by householders here, it was not recorded at the University of Washington as the roll of paper on the school's seismograph was being changed. It was explained

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MAYOR REVIEWS YEAR'S REPORT

PLEASING FEATURE IS INDUSTRIAL OUTLOOK FOR THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE

Woolen Mill is Encouraging Prospect—Improvement in City's Condition Gratifying

"The improved general condition of the City of Victoria, from almost all angles, must be most encouraging and gratifying, not only to the members of the City Council but the citizens in general," Mayor Pendergast stated in his annual report yesterday. "One of the most pleasing features of the city's activities, is the industrial outlook for the immediate future. While I regret the actual construction of a grain elevator is not yet under way, the great amount of publicity that the Port of Victoria has received during the past year, has brought out the fact that Victoria has many advantages over other ports for the shipment of grain at a considerable saving in handling charges."

Important Industrial Step
"The employment of Mr. Roger Pinneo to assist the Council in its endeavor to develop our shipping, was a most important step. Mr. Pinneo's vast experience in port development and transportation problems will be of great value to the city. The volume of valuable information and statistics Mr. Pinneo has gathered during the past three months, shows many great opportunities for the immediate increase of shipping through Victoria."

"Our Publicity Bureau has also done splendid work. Under the guidance of Mr. H. R. Ker (president), and a capable board of directors, with Mr. G. I. Warren (secretary), it has been the means of bringing many thousands of tourists and visitors to the city during the past year. Although the general travel in 1926 throughout the Pacific Northwest was not as heavy as in 1925, Victoria is fortunate in being able to show an increase in tourist and auto travel."

"The auto ferry service to Victoria and Island was adequate to handle all the traffic offering, but, if rates could be lowered, I believe more auto than ever would visit our city, giving more revenue to transportation companies and leaving more money with our merchants."

Aggressive Campaign
"For the coming year I feel that an even more aggressive campaign should be put forward, not only by the City Council but by the Publicity Bureau, to induce industries to locate here and also to point out to shippers and importers throughout the Canadian Northwest the advantage of having their goods routed via Victoria."

"One of the most encouraging prospects for the establishment of the woolen industry in Victoria is the fact that Mr. J. Moore, of Bradford, England, a manufacturer of many years' experience, came to Victoria at the request of our Industrial Committee and made a thorough survey of the whole situation. In the opinion of Mr. Moore, there is a great opportunity for the establishment of a worsted mill here which, later on, can be extended to include a woolen mill and its various ramifications. Mr. Moore proposes, on his return to England, to make a proposition for the establishment of a plant here and, as he has expressed his willingness to invest a fair proportion of his own capital in such a venture, it is an assurance of his confidence in the undertaking. If Mr. Moore's proposition is one which meets with the approval of the City Council, I firmly believe that such a plant will be in actual operation in the latter part of 1927 or early in 1928."

Vote of Confidence
"The defeat of the proposal for a city manager is, I feel, a vote of confidence in the present method of administration. If the various Council

May Be Democratic Entry for President

SENATOR JAMES A. REED, of Missouri, is mentioned as a possible Democratic presidential nominee in 1928. He would be a compromise candidate, in the event of a deadlock between the forces of "Al" Smith and of W. G. McAdoo.

committees, civic officials and employees continue to work as diligently and conscientiously as in the past. I do not think there is any likelihood of a change in our present form of civic government."

"A problem which has given a great deal of work during the year is that of water charges to Oak Bay. After numerous meetings and conferences with Oak Bay representatives and officials, we found it possible to accept their proposals. Thanks are due to the Provincial Government for its offer of assistance in settling this long-drawn-out dispute. A suggestion was made by the Hon. Mr. Pattullo, Minister of Public Works, that the Provincial Water Board go throughly into the whole subject and effect a settlement, which was a happy solution to this vexed question. I feel quite sure the city will get a satisfactory price for water supplied to Oak Bay, as this board has the necessary experience to impartially weigh both sides of the case."

Appreciates Co-operation
"I wish to thank the press for the able manner in which they have recorded the proceedings of the City Council in their columns and also for the support accorded myself and members of the City Council throughout the year."

"My thanks are due to all members of the City Council for their support and co-operation during the past year and also to the civic officials generally for their loyal and efficient service."

"My re-election by acclamation is a source of very great pride, and I shall do my utmost to prove that the confidence of the citizens in my ability to control the administration of civic affairs for the ensuing twelve months, is fully justified."

"May I hope that in 1927 we shall see a still greater enhancement of our progress and prosperity and that the common aim of all our citizens will be the advancement of the City of Victoria."

MOURNING PERIOD SET FOR EMPEROR

FLAG WILL FLY AT HALF-MAST IN MEMORY OF LATE JAPANESE RULER

Official Information Relative to National Observance Has Just Been Received in City

The Province of British Columbia, in common with the rest of the British Dominions, will officially mourn the death of the Emperor of Japan until January 14. Until January 8 the flag on the Parliament Buildings grounds will float at half-mast. Following that, half-mourning will prevail until January 14.

The information as to the period of mourning for the Emperor has just been received locally from London through Ottawa conveyed to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor. Under these instructions, three weeks of mourning is to be observed. Daring from December 24 until January 14, it is prescribed that there shall be full mourning, while the next week there shall be half-mourning.

REAL ESTATE MEN MEET IN SEATTLE

Northwest Convention to Gather in Sound City in August

TACOMA, Dec. 20.—By action of the Northwest Real Estate Association in session here yesterday, plans will be taken to bring to the Pacific Northwest next summer a trainload of leading writers and publicists of the United States in an effort to acquaint them with the scenic beauty and natural resources of the West.

From the four Northwest States and British Columbia fifty officers and directors of local real estate boards were in attendance during the day and at the banquet last night which ended the session.

The Northwest Convention of Real Estate Boards will be held in Seattle, August 8 and 9, just previous to the national convention there; it was decided the meeting place having been shifted from Victoria.

J. W. Wheeler, of Seattle, was installed as new president, succeeding A. H. Barnhill, of Tacoma. Mr. Wheeler announced his vice-presidents as follows: For British Columbia, A. McCreery, Vancouver; Alfred Garabedian, Victoria. He announced the British Columbia directors as follows: J. P. Nicholls, Vancouver; J. W. Allen, Vancouver; F. B. Pemberton, Victoria.

Two Towns Destroyed And Trees Devoured by Quake in Colombia

QUATAQUI, Ecuador, Dec. 20.—Reports from the Colombian frontier say the towns of Guachucay and Aldana have been destroyed by an earthquake. The shock is believed to have been connected with the eruption of the volcano Cumbal. A dispatch from Tulcan, Ecuador, says the trees in the Yagorral Valley were leveled by the earthquake.

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Quality, style and value make this After-Christmas Sale one of exceptional merit. Many women have taken this opportunity to replenish their wardrobes at a very substantial saving. Visit the garment section here today and see for yourself the wonderful bargains being offered.

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Here Is Your Opportunity to Have a New Frock for New Year

SILK DRESSES

Greatly Reduced to Clear Today at **\$11.95 and \$24.95**

Charming Silk Dresses for afternoon wear have been reduced in price for today's selling at **\$11.95 and \$24.95**. The styles are all new, smart and come in the most fashionable colors as well as black. On sale, today at **\$11.95 and \$24.95**

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Kayser Silk Hosiery at \$1.95 and \$2.50 Per Pair

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Give a Merchandise Scrip FOR A NEW YEAR'S GIFT ISSUED HERE FOR ANY AMOUNT

\$110,000 Left to Church in Seattle

NEWARK, N.J., Dec. 20.—Reciprocal wills of Richard R. Cox and his wife Jane, both nonagenarians, formerly of Chicago, offered for probate here yesterday, bequeathed \$110,000 to Trinity Church, of Seattle, Wash., and left upward of \$500,000 in cash and property to numerous friends and relatives scattered about the country.

To End Severe Cough Quickly, Try This

For real results, this old home-made remedy beats them all. Easily prepared.

You'll never know how quickly a bad cough can be conquered, until you try this famous home-made remedy. The immediate relief given is almost like magic. It is easily prepared, and there is nothing better for coughs.

Into a 16-oz. bottle, put 2 1/2 ounces of Pinex; then add plain granulated sugar syrup to make 10 ounces. Or you can use clarified honey, instead of sugar syrup. Either way, this mixture saves about two-thirds of the money usually spent for cough preparations, and gives you a more positive, effective remedy. It keeps perfectly, and tastes pleasant—children like it.

You can feel this take hold instantly, soothing and healing the membranes in all the air passages. It promptly loosens a dry, tight cough, and soon you will notice the phlegm thin out and disappear. A day's use will usually break up an ordinary throat or chest cold, and it is also splendid for bronchitis, hoarseness, and bronchial asthma.

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PINEX for Coughs**WILL MAKE LIQUOR LESS POISONOUS**

Less Deadly Drugs to Be Used in Denaturing of Alcohol in United States

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—On the theory that more effective prohibition enforcement is bound to drive drinkers to the use of industrial alcohol, Andrew Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury, announced a determination today to eliminate the use of poisons as denaturants.

The secretary's attitude is that he does not conceive it as a duty of the Government to permit poisoning of citizens in order to enforce the law. He expects Government chemists soon will be able to denature alcohol so that it will be too distasteful to drink rather than too poisonous. When the Government denaturing formula goes into effect January 1, certain poisonous substances previously included in it will be eliminated. The 4 per cent of wood alcohol provided for in the formula will remain, however, as Mr. Mellon does not think that percentage injurious. Under the old formula 2 per cent of wood alcohol was used.

Building Permits In Greater Vancouver

VANCOUVER, Dec. 20.—The total value of building construction in the Greater Vancouver area during 1926 was \$24,324,135, compared with \$14,864,284 in 1925, according to figures compiled today. During the year just closing 7,149 building permits were issued.

In Vancouver city 2,546 permits were issued for a total value of \$14,464,000; in Point Grey, 1,115 permits for a value of \$6,022,950; in South Vancouver, 1,865 for \$1,487,580; and in Burnaby, 1,065 permits for \$1,151,160. Other districts included in the Greater Vancouver area are North

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Crystallized Fruits, regular \$1.25 lb. for	75c	Hand-Rolled Assorted Chocolates, 3 lb. box	89c
Miss Ribbon Baking Powder, tin, 10c		De Luxe Jelly Powders, 4 pkts. 22c	
Emmer Tender Peas, tin, 10c		Extra Large Prunes (only 300) 15c	
Clerk's Plum Pudding, regular 45c tin		at 3 lbs. for	25c
		National Dog Biscuits, 2 lbs. 25c	
Pine Roes Flour, 24-lb. sack	\$1.25	1 Large Bottle Pancake Syrup	
40-lb. sack	\$2.45	Both for	50c
		Both for	50c
Finest Fancy Figs, regular 75c box		Crystallized Ginger, lb.	30c
for		Red Arrow Cream Crackers, large	20c
Spanish Table Raisins, regular 80c		pkgs.	20c
pkts. for		H. & P. Argyle Shortbread, regular	75c
Regular 70c pkts. for		90c tin for	75c
Dreyer's Ginger Ale, doz.	\$2.25	H. & P. Shortcake, regular \$1.25 tin	
Canada Dry, doz.	\$2.50	for	95c
Assorted Hard and Soft Chocolates, 2 lb. 22c		H. & P. Shortcake, 1/2-lb. pkts.	25c
Golden Bantam Corn, tin	17c		
Campbell's Tomato Soup, tin	11c		
Ripe Bananas, dozen	35c		
Jap Oranges, box, 85c			
Fresh Chestnuts, lb.	25c		
New Mixed Nuts, 2 lbs. for	45c		
New Comb Honey, each, 25c			
California Grapefruit, each, 5c			
New Hallow Dates, 3 lbs. for	29c		
Large Head Lettuce, each, 10c			
Nice Carrots, 15 lbs. for	25c		
Aschcroft Potatoes, 10 lbs. for	50c		
Fletcher's Mild Cured Hams, whole or half, per lb.			37c
Picnic Hams, per lb.	20c		
Cottage Rolls, per lb.	33c		
Sugar Cured Bacon, piece cut, per lb.	40c		
Home-Cooked Corned Beef, sliced, per lb.	25c		
Home-Cooked Ham Bologna, sliced, per lb.	18c		
Finest Selected Creamery Butter, per lb.	40c		
Or 3 lbs. for	\$1.45		
Finest Quality Local and Alberta Turkeys, Geese, Ducks and Chickens for New Year's Dinner			
FRESH ALBERTA TURKEYS		LOCAL GRAIN-FED PORK	
6 to 8 lbs., 45c		Loin Pork Roasts, per lb.	28c
8 to 11 lbs., 48c		per lb., 33c and	
11 to 13 lbs., 50c		Leg Pork Roasts, per lb.	30c
13 lbs. and over, 53c		per lb., 33c and	
		Mild Cured Pickled Pork, per lb.	27c
FINEST ALBERTA GESE			
From 8 1/2 to 14 lbs., 33c		PRIME STEER BEEF	
FANCY ALBERTA DUCKS		Roasted Prime Ribs (weighed with bone), per lb.	18c
From 4 to 6 1/2 lbs., 38c		Small Rump Roasts, per lb.	18c
		Sirloin Tip Roasts, per lb.	23c
LOCAL CRATE-PATTENED ROASTING CHICKENS		Small T-Bone Roasts, lb., 30c	
Per lb., 42c		Good Lean Pot Roasts, per lb., 14c	
and		Chopped Suet, per lb., 12c	
Our Patent Sine Extrators save you time and trouble. We draw any bird upon request. Free of Charge.		Fresh Beef Hearts, each, 25c	
		SWEET PICKLED BEEF TONGUES	
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\$300,000 Fire
WATERLOO, N.Y., Dec. 30.—The large paper mill owned by the International Paper Company at Glen Park, a suburb of this city, was destroyed by fire early today with a loss of \$300,000. The mill had been closed and workmen were removing the machinery and shipping it to Canada.

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Vintage 1865	\$2.95 Per Qt.
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City & District

Will Not Receive—Owing to his own illness and that of other members of the family, Premier Oliver has found it necessary to cancel the reception he had intended holding at his home on New Year's Day.

Ward One Liberals—The regular monthly meeting of Ward One Liberals will be held on Monday evening, January 1, at eight o'clock in the Liberal headquarters, Government and Broughton streets.

Home Is Robbed—The home of Mr. J. N. O'Neil, of 121 Admiral's Road, was entered by a thief between the hours of 7:30 p.m. and 11 p.m. on Wednesday, and jewelry taken as well as \$45 in cash. An active search failed to disclose the identity of the robber.

Will Attend Gathering—The reception to Hon. S. F. Timmins on Saturday will be attended by a very representative gathering of Conservatives. In addition to Senators Green and Barnard having been invited to attend, an invitation has also gone to Mr. C. H. Dickie, M.P. for Nanaimo in the House of Commons.

To Aid War Memorial—A delightful programme will be given at the Rex Theatre, Esquimalt, during the second week in January, a definite date to be announced later. Members of the Arion Club, assisted by Miss Eva Hart and the following well-known singers, have most kindly consented to take part: Miss Nora Jones, Mrs. Y. Nierling, Mrs. Mildred Hammett, Mrs. C. C. Wainwright, and Mrs. J. H. Dickie. All organizations in Esquimalt have promised their support, especially the L.O.D.E., one of the aims of this order being memorial work. The proceeds will be devoted to the Esquimalt War Memorial, now under erection.

Killed by Fall—The sad information was received in the city yesterday that Mr. Gordon P. Hayman, an engineer engaged in the construction of the Cariboo Road, near Gladwin, east of Lytton, had met his death by a fall from the rocks. The details were not received. It is presumed that the unfortunate man was engaged in locating a part of the line and slipped from his position, meeting his death. Mr. Hayman was a trusted employee of the department. He distinguished himself as an engineer on the Golden-Yoho Highway, the Roseland-Cascadia Highway and later on the Cariboo Road. He was in charge of the location of the new highway near Boston Bar, one of the most difficult sections of the whole route, and was also appointed resident engineer for the Public Works Department in the Fraser Canyon district.

To Attend Rally—His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia and the Hon. to the Premier have both kindly consented to be present and extend greetings to the united rally of Sunday schools being held in Metropolitan Church under the auspices of the Religious Education Council of British Columbia. The Mayor of Victoria, who has a prior engagement, will be represented by Alderman Marchant. A great deal of interest in the rally is being shown, and it is anticipated that something of a permanent character will grow out of the programme. In the hands of a committee who have arranged for the major portion to be carried out by officers and scholars of the schools. A great deal of Wesley United, will preside; Dr. W. Russell, of First Baptist Church, will give the address; the music will be provided by the Metropolitan Church organist, Mr. E. Parsons, and the Metropolitan Sunday school orchestra. Under the leadership of Mr. Redman, Miss Dolly Burgess will contribute a vocal solo. The programme, after paying expenses, will be given to the Solumar Fund committee. A flag salute will be carried out when the Canadian flag is hoisted, and the Union Jack will be carried by the three members of the Older Boys' Parliament who represent this city at the present sessions.

WAGE INCREASE IS STILL UNDECIDED

City Council Refers Firemen's Application to 1927 Fire Wardens' Committee

The request made by the members of the Fire Department for an increase in salary of ten dollars a month has been referred to the 1927 fire wardens committee for report. It was decided to take this course at yesterday afternoon's meeting of the City Council on the recommendation of the fire wardens committee. The committee which has been considering this application presented a scale of wages paid to members of the fire departments in other cities on this coast.

City firemen get a lower scale than either Point Grey or Vancouver, but a slightly better wage than firemen in New Westminster and Bellingham. The city purchasing agent was authorized to call for tenders for uniforms for members of the department for the year 1927.

Indian Student Frozen to Death on Way to Grandparents
THE F.R.S., Dec. 30.—A Christmas tragedy of the northland—the toll of the great white trail—is reported today. The death of David Crane, fifteen-year-old Indian student at the McKee Anglican Boarding School at Big Lddy, near here, is reported. He was a victim of the Arctic weather and his name is added to those who took the northland trail unprepared for its dangers. Leaving his school without permission, young David started on a journey to Cumberland House, fifty miles distant, where he hoped to visit his grandparents during the Christmas season. Without food, firearms or matches, the latter essential on the north trail, David started his journey. A search party found his body huddled in a heap on an island in Duckman Lake. He had frozen to death.

Fire at Loco

PORT MOODY, B.C., Dec. 30.—Fire of undetermined origin started in a crude oil still at the Imperial Oil Company's refinery at Loco, on Burnside inlet, opposite here, last evening. But was confined to a small area and damage is said to have been slight. During its short duration the blaze was spectacular. No person was injured.

UNDER THE CLOCK

City Hall Authority in Aid

The City Purchasing Agent was authorized at yesterday afternoon's meeting of the City Council to call for tenders for the supply of twenty lawn mowers for use in the parks and on the boulevards.

The legislative committee brought in the following recommendation to the City Council after considering the C.P.R. application for a quit claim to the water lot at the end of Oswego street: "That having considered the application of the C.P.R. Company for a quit claim to the water lot at the end of Oswego Street, your committee is of the opinion that the agreement embodied in the resolution passed by the City Council on July 24, 1926, contemplated only a lease of the said water lot and accordingly recommends that a lease of this lot be granted to the C.P.R. for a period of twenty years."

The application from Mr. A. Pedneault to install a 350-gallon gasoline tank and pump on private property at the corner of Wilson and Walker streets was granted by the City Council yesterday.

An invitation from the Kiwanis Club to the City Council for its members to attend a luncheon to be held next Tuesday at 12:15 p.m. in the Chamber of Commerce was received by the Council yesterday. All members who can arrange to go will attend.

Total value of building permits taken out at the City Hall up to the end of the year amounted to \$220,239, an increase of \$172,172 over that of last year. In 1925, 489 permits were taken out of a total value of \$244,167. This year the number of permits was 513.

Fifty-Thousand-Dollar London Robbery Adds To Many Recent Jobs

LONDON, Dec. 30.—A fifty-thousand-dollar jewelry robbery in Liverpool's department store last night has added to a list of sensational robberies here. The burglars concealed themselves before closing time and then calmly collected the contents of the store. Recently, there have been numerous sensational robberies, many of them in the daytime, by motor bandits. In some cases, the police suspect American thieves have been behind the robberies which are less risky for them in England than in the United States since the regular English police do not carry revolvers. Consequently, the English robberies have not been featured by any shooting.

ZONING ENGINEER TO SECURE DATA

Mr. D. Davies Will Attend Town Planning Meeting Greater Vancouver

Mr. Doughty Davies, civil engineer, who was employed by the Federal Government, made today to Judge Monet, expressed the view of the Canadian Government with regard to the schools. He was accompanied by early today of five men, Joseph Farley, whom police believe to be the head of the drug ring; Fred Monaghan; Sam Reid, colored; George Edwards, colored; and Charles S. Galey. Involved in these arrests was the seizure of \$20,000 worth of narcotics. The arrests were made by officers of the Narcotic Squad of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, aided by Arnold Lachenaier, of the United States Inland Revenue Department, Detroit. Three of the men were rounded up in various parts of the city, while two, railway Pullman porters, were seized as they stepped off their train.

BOYS' PARLIAMENT CONCLUDES WORK

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With a membership of 3,045 existing over the province, it is provided that the main method of raising the sum required will be by the sale of bonds, a method that was found fairly successful last year. The campaign in this direction will be carried on from February 17 to February 27, the bonds to be in denominations of fifty cents and one dollar.

Provision is made also for the adoption of other methods of raising funds. This course is followed in view of the expressed opposition on the part of some of the representative boys present, that the bond method did not appeal to their particular organizations.

The method of assessing the amount to be raised is to be on the basis of two dollars for each member of the organization.

Budget for Year
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Programmes 50
Canadian Mentor 40
National Boys' Work Board 150
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Provincial Parliament 200
Office Overhead 1,000
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Canadian Metropolitan Declared Largest Base of Operators on North American Continent

MONTREAL, Dec. 30.—"We have succeeded, my Lord, in rounding up what we think is the biggest drug ring on this continent, and one of the men before you is believed to be the chief of this ring. If any of them are released now the attempt of the Federal officers to arrest other men wanted may prove futile. We do not want to run the risk of making all their work useless."

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lication of the work done by the Canadian Girls in Training and wishing them prosperity in their undertakings.

Thanks to Dr. MacLean
Another resolution expressed thanks to the Department of Sunday Schools and Young People's work of the United Church in Canada for the services that had been possible through the permission of that body whereby Dr. E. R. MacLean had given such valuable assistance to the Boys' Parliament movement as acting secretary.

Thanks were also expressed to Premier Oliver and the members of the executive council for the kindness extended. Included in this motion was thanks also to Dean Coleman, who acted as Lieut.-Governor, to the Sergeant-at-Arms, to Mr. W. T. Strath and Mr. Farr, who acted as legal advisers to them, and to a long list of other persons and organizations as well as the people of Victoria and the press for courtesies extended.

The promulgation of Parliament was carried out with due formality by Mr. T. Strath in the absence of Dean Coleman, who had acted as Lieut.-Governor at the opening.

He expressed appreciation for the way in which the work had been carried out and referred to the fact that as they went back to their different districts they would carry the inspiration afforded by the gathering here.

New Year's Day Rally Of Presbyterian Schools

All arrangements have been completed for the New Year's rally of the Presbyterian Sunday Schools to be held in St. Andrew's Church on New Year's morning, commencing at eleven o'clock. Keen interest is being manifested by the various schools to have a full attendance of their members. The fact that the roll call will reveal the strength of each school has created a healthy rivalry as to which will have first standing. All the schools will be seated in the main body of the church. The gallery has been reserved for parents and friends. It is hoped that all the schools will be in their places at 10:30, so that the service may commence promptly at eleven o'clock.

Fear for Missing Lad

VANCOUVER, Dec. 30.—Fears were expressed here this afternoon that George Vilas, eight-year-old son of O. Vilas, missing since he left home shortly after noon yesterday, has been drowned in the Fraser River. He was last seen late yesterday playing in a rowboat tied to a waterfront wharf.

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Immediately abandoning it. An instance and its sequel have been brought to the notice of the writer of "A Countryman's Diary," by Mr. R. D. Girdale, of The Gables, Wakefield.

The rooks were in the habit of building in one branch of an elm tree at the home of a friend of Mr. Girdale. They came as usual in the Spring, but instead of starting to build they held an animated council in the branches, lasting for two days, and then they began to tear down the old nests. About a dozen nests were demolished and the birds left.

While the nests were being destroyed a daughter was born in the house. In July, when the baby was about five months old, she was being wheeled by the nurse along the drive beneath the abandoned branch.

Was it a warning?

It was a perfectly calm day, but, without warning, the branch crashed to the ground, missing nurse and baby by inches.

Mr. Girdale says: "What I am wondering is, did the rooks remove the old nests as a warning to the occupants of the house?"

A flaw in the tree, says Mr. Girdale, was easily discernible when the branch was down.

It is probable that absence of the essential supplies in branches so that they shall away in the wind is often the determining factor when rooks desert a tree. The likelihood that alarms them arises from lack of sap and sapwood decay.

Allege Kidnapping

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 30.—The United States Embassy was informed today that two American mining men, J. W. Wiley and E. B. Connors, were kidnapped Tuesday by bandits at the mining town of San Francisco de Oro, near Parral. The bandits, calling themselves revolutionists, carried the men into the mountains, where they are being held captive for 10,000 pesos ransom.



MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE

From New York, Feb. 12

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MUNICIPAL BANK PROVES SUCCESS

BIRMINGHAM VENTURE IN SAVINGS INSTITUTION RESULTS IN PROSPERITY

Three and Half Per Cent Interest Paid Depositors and Administration Shows Economy

By PROFESSOR J. G. SMITH
The Treasury Committee appointed to consider the question of municipal savings banks will have as illustration of the working of such institutions the experience of the Birmingham Municipal Bank, which has been in existence now for a period of just over ten years. This bank owes its origin primarily to the present Minister of Health, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, who felt that some scheme was desirable whereby the workers who were then earning high wages in Midland munitions factories could be encouraged to save in view of the depression and unemployment that he felt was inevitable on the conclusion of the war. A bill framed in rather general terms met with much opposition in the House of Commons, but greater success was obtained with a less ambitious measure later in the same year, and the Municipal Savings Bank (War Loan Investment) Act, 1916, was the result. This was a temporary measure to facilitate the investment of savings in war loans by enabling local authorities with a population of not less than 250,000 to set up savings banks for a period extending to not longer than three months after the termination of the war. It was the intention of the Act, and the success of the scheme led the Corporation to seek authority in 1919 to establish a municipal bank on a permanent basis, and thus the Birmingham Corporation Act, 1919, is the charter of the present institution.

Under this Act the Corporation is empowered to maintain a savings bank and to set up a housing department to make advances upon the security of freehold or leasehold estate. Deposits are accepted at an interest of three and one half per cent on every complete pound, the minimum amount being £500, and the maximum amount £500 in any one year. This latter limit, it is claimed, amply protects the position of the joint-stock banks, which since permission was granted to Birmingham to establish a municipal bank, Swansea, Wigan, Stoke-on-Trent, and Bristol have at different times endeavored to obtain similar powers by local Act.

The bank has set up thirty-six branches in the city and suburbs, and the citizens of Birmingham have not been permitted to remain ignorant of the advantages, both moral and material, accruing from thrift and from wise expenditure of savings. The institution has now outgrown certain crudities inseparable from pioneer movements, and its work commands the admiration of all classes of the community. With proper safeguards in the interests of the joint-stock banks, there are no valid objections to a considerable extension of municipal banking on the Birmingham model.

In a written reply to Miss Wilkinson, the Minister of Health says that since permission was granted to Birmingham to establish a municipal bank, Swansea, Wigan, Stoke-on-Trent, and Bristol have at different times endeavored to obtain similar powers by local Act.

French Officials Set Speed Record in Talks
PARIS, Dec. 28.—Leon Perrier, Minister of the Colonies, who holds the French parliamentary speed talking record of 150 words a minute, is the terror of stenographers. Louis Marin, Minister of Pensions, runs him close with 145, followed by M. Albert Sarraut, the young and active Minister of the Interior, with 130.

Premier Poincaré, whose delivery is smooth and even, does about 120. As to Aristide Briand, whose orations are likened to sello selos, his art is made up of fine shades and parentheses, and he never exceeds 145 to 150 words to the minute.

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growing steadily and this fall almost twice as many of these animals have come down to the valleys as were there last year.

Elk on Golf Course
Bands of elk and deer are now pasturing on the Jasper Park Lodge golf course daily and instructions have been issued that they are not to be disturbed as they are keeping down the grass on the fairway. Occasionally they interfere with golf, which continued this year until a few weeks ago, but they are more than earning their feed by keeping the turf well cropped.

Caribou herds are increasing also, though these animals maintain a good distance between themselves and civilization. As for bears, they are becoming as numerous and almost as tame as dogs since they realize that they are no longer hunted. The blacks and cinquans have constituted themselves the town scavengers. The grizzlies, while numerous, are not socially inclined and prefer to remain at a distance from man and all his works. They remain where they are seen less frequently than the blacks and browns.

FIVE THOUSAND PEOPLE DRIVEN FROM THEIR HOMES BY RISING FLOODS OF RIVER

Fifteen Hundred Deprived of Work and Relief Work Among Refugees Grows

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 30.—The Cumberland River, in record flood stage at Nashville, continued a very slow rise today in its expansive trail through Nashville, as the slow current glided against clear skies.

The official reading today was 55.7 feet, a rise of only one-tenth of a foot in seven hours. The weather bureau's latest prediction was a crest for Nashville of above 56 feet by Saturday or Sunday.

Revised official estimates of 4,000 persons homeless in Nashville townlands, 200 city blocks inundated and 1,500 persons out of work, were not added to materially today.

The Cumberland was a mile wide from Fifth Avenue west of the river into East Nashville, and its back waters extended for three miles over the North Nashville and Edgefield sections, submerging hundreds of homes and inundating industrial plants and business blocks.

Soup kitchens have been opened for refugees and charity organizations were busy in relief work. North Nashville is waterbound as well as the Edgefield section and South Nashville.

Train service through Tennessee, Mississippi and Kentucky showed only slight improvement in the flood areas.

ELK JOSTLE TRAINS IN NATIONAL PARKS

Great Increase in Big Game Proves Wisdom of Formation of Wild Life Sanctuaries in Rockies

MONTREAL, Dec. 30.—Canada's policy of making the national parks also game sanctuaries has saved the wild life of the Canadian Rockies for future generations, in the opinion of Major Fred Brewster, M.C., nature lover, outfitter and guide extraordinary, of Jasper National Park. All who are in Montreal on his annual visit to the Eastern Canadian and United States cities. As a result of the absolute protection given to wild animals in Jasper National Park, which is Canada's largest national playground, elk and deer are feeding within a stone's throw of the railway yards at Jasper, where railway shunting operations are carried on day and night; mountain sheep and mountain goats are daily visitors to the outskirts of the town, while black and cinnamon bears make regular visits to the back doors of hotels and other places where they hope to find free meals awaiting them in the garbage cans and boxes.

The increase in big game animals is not confined to the park but is noticeable also in the hunting territory surrounding its boundaries. Major Brewster stated. Hunting parties in the Jasper area this year found not only larger numbers of the game but also a more varied selection, also the increasing presence of moose, though these animals had been very scarce in previous years. Wild fowl are also increasing, since the water birds find sanctuary with the many lakes and breeding grounds, and prairie chickens, which have made their appearance in the eastern area, are apparently following the grain trains westward and moving into the foothills in great numbers.

There is no danger of mountain sheep or goats vanishing as did the buffalo of the plains. Major Brewster stated. In fact, a careful survey made by the park wardens shows a surprising increase in these animals. We know there are from 10,000 to 15,000 mountain sheep and probably 8,000 to 10,000 mountain goats within the park. Elk or wapiti herds are

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Society and Women's Affairs

Christmas Party Given

The home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Whitby, Rockland Avenue, was the scene of a merry Christmas party on Monday, about fifty children being present. The tea table was gay with Christmas decorations, and after tea the guests were entertained by Mr. Merryfield and his daughter Violet, who did some wonderful conjuring tricks which delighted the guests. After the sudden arrival of Santa Claus the large Christmas tree was unloaded of its gifts, to the delight of the children. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Trevett, Betty and Cyril Trevett, Mrs. Playfoot, Philip and John Playfoot, Mr. and Mrs. W. Lloyd, and Thelma H. Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. Merryfield, Violet and Francis Merryfield, Mrs. Cutler, Percy and Estelle Cutler, Mrs. Vickers and Evelyn Vickers, Miss D. Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. Braden, Mrs. Blackburn, Mrs. Mout, Mary Welsh, Pearl McGarry, Dick Brown, Ivy Brown, Bobby Stouch, Doreen Murray, Mary Louise Bryant, Effie and Betty Beresford, Norman Englehardt, and Messrs. Trench, Kenzie, Hinchon, Rundle, Thompson and Stewart.

Children's Party

An enjoyable children's party was held on Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albany Jeffrey, 66 Lewis Street, in honor of their little son, Phillip, on the occasion of his fifth birthday. Games were enjoyed round the large Christmas tree, the guests being Marjory and Patricia Ribbons, Dorothy Walter, Jack and Robin Harris, Yvonne Mowatt, Harold and Raymond Rawnsley, Violet and Jackie Robertson and Gordon Brizard. The little host and hostess, Phil and Dorothy Jeffrey were helped by Miss Ruth Hayman, Mrs. Rawnsley, Mrs. Ribbons and Mrs. Jeffrey. After the children's party had ended, a number of guests arrived in the evening, songs, recitation and dancing being enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs. Morley, May, Dickie and Bonnie Morley, Mr. and Mrs. Rawnsley, Mr. and Mrs. Mowatt, Mr. and Mrs. Ribbons and Miss Ruth Playman.

Enjoyable Dance

An enjoyable dance took place on Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. Fred Seate, 900 Crawford Road, when the guests included the Misses Alice Churchill, Anne Weinberg, Alice Kershaw, T. McLaren, Helen Wein-



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Christening Ceremony

The baptism of George Alfreda, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Jacklin, 1528 Redfern Street took place at Christ Church Cathedral on Sunday, the Very Rev. Dean Quinlan officiating. Mrs. A. Tripp, Mrs. L. Sutton and Alfred Tripp acted as sponsors. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Jacklin entertained their guests at supper, those invited being Mr. and Mrs. A. Tripp, Mr. and Mrs. L. Sutton and Miss Daphne Sutton, Alfred Tripp and Jack Davies.

Jolly Christmas Party

Mrs. H. E. Bayley, St. Ann Street, gave a jolly Christmas party yesterday afternoon for her little daughter, Gladys. The guests were Misses Harness, Dickie Harness, Jean Grant, Pam Alder, Doris Henry, Connie Lindner, Edith Adams, Joyce Whitehead, Barbara Woodman, Violet Holland, Hazel Wright and Ruth Hughes.

Dance for Daughters

The Hon. Dr. W. H. Sutherland and Mrs. Sutherland entertained at a most enjoyable dance last evening at their home on Foul Bay Road, in honor of their daughters, the Misses Helen and Mary Sutherland. Hunt's orchestra played the excellent music, and the house was decorated with evergreens, holly and Christmas decorations.

Return to Seattle

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Wightman and their daughter, Mary, who came over from Seattle to attend the marriage of Mrs. Wightman's sister, Miss Edith Mustard returned to their home yesterday. They were accompanied by Mrs. Mustard who will later leave for Los Angeles, where she will spend the remainder of the winter.

Leaves for Vancouver

Mr. Archie MacCorkindale, 20 Menzies Street, left on Thursday to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Nicholson, Dunbar Heights, Vancouver.

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Arriving From Mainland

Mr. Eric Lusby is arriving today from New Westminster, and will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Norris, Douglas Street during his visit here.

Bridge for Visitors

Mrs. W. Fleet Robertson was hostess at a bridge party yesterday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Dalby Morrison, of Vancouver, and Miss Wilson, of Albany, New York.

Saatchi Dance

The New Year dance of the Saatchi Pioneers' Society will be held this evening from 9 to 12 o'clock in the Agricultural Hall, Saanichton. Brooks orchestra in attendance.

Leaves for Squilax

Miss Helen Green left yesterday for Squilax, B.C., where she will teach. Miss Margaret Green accompanied her to Vancouver, where she will spend the week-end visiting friends.

Have Been Visiting Here

Mr. W. B. Leach and Captain Stanley Kappel, of Vancouver, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Leach at the Oak Bay Hotel, and have returned to Vancouver.

Officers at Home

The Captain and officers of H.M.C.S. Patricia will be at home between the hours of 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. on January 1.

Returns to Vancouver

Mr. Donald Sinclair has returned to Vancouver, after spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Sinclair, Savoy Mansions.

Officers to Receive

The Senior Naval Officer and officers of the Naval Barracks will be at home at their mess from 11:15 a.m. to 2 p.m. on New Year's Day.

Visiting in Calgary

Mrs. J. E. Hammond is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. T. Gibson, at Calgary.

From Vancouver

Miss Helen Holt, of Vancouver, is the guest of Miss Betty Kirk, St. Charles Street.

Visiting Here

Mr. and Mrs. C. Beverley Cox, of Vancouver, are visiting Mrs. Charles Cox, of this city.

From Bremerton

Commander and Mrs. Dorich, of Bremerton, are spending the week-end at the Oak Bay Hotel.

Returns From Mainland

Miss Mary Lawson has returned from Vancouver, where she attended the marriage of her niece.

From Vancouver

Mrs. L. G. Rankin, of Vancouver, is a guest at the Oak Bay Hotel.

Campbell River

Miss Susie Smith returned the latter part of the week from Victoria. She is spending the Yuletide with her mother, Mrs. Fanny Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Oakley are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter born on Thursday, December 23, at the Lourdes Hospital.

Mrs. Robt. McCusag returned Friday evening from a visit to the United States.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Andersen and Mr. E. Andersen, of Lund, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Thulin during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Masters returned home on Friday.

Miss Elver, Oswald, of Harwick Island, is a guest of Miss Ruth Olson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Bell, of Coughlan are guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Fitzgerald for the Yuletide season.

Mr. Gus Wickstrom, of Fraser Mills, is at present visiting at Campbell River.

Mrs. J. Yorkes and daughter left for Vancouver on Monday by way of Nanaimo for a week's visit.

Thursday evening last the service men gave a Christmas tree for the children of this district at the "Lilac Pavilion." The Christmas tree was prettily decorated and was loaded with many pretty and useful gifts. Before the arrival of Santa Claus a dainty and bounteous supper was served to all.

Mr. G. Palmer returned from Port Moody to Campbell River the latter part of the week.

Mr. Chas. Russell left for the city early in the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Thompson returned to Campbell River on Monday.

Brentwood

Mr. Louis Roehon, of Vancouver, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. E. Roehon, Mount Newton.

Mr. Gordon Lamprecht, of Vancouver, spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Lamprecht, St. Mary's Crossroad.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Walker, of Bamerton, are spending a few days in Vancouver.

Sidney

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McDaniel, of Seattle, spent the Christmas holidays here as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. White.

Mr. Morris Brethour, of Courtenay, spent the holidays at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Brethour, Beacon Avenue.

Mrs. Clowes and her son, Mr. Clowes, of Vancouver, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. Thomas for the Christmas week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Walker, of Minnedosa, Man., arrived in Sidney last Friday and spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. McNeil, leaving on Sunday for California.

Mr. Archie Higgs, of Vancouver, spent the holiday here, and was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. W. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Griffin and family, of Ladysmith, spent a few days here visiting relatives and waiting the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Critchley.

The regular monthly meeting of the Allies Chapter, I.O.O.F., will be held at the home of Mrs. Bodkin on Thursday, January 6, at 3 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Findlay, of Duncan, are spending the Christmas holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Brethour, East Road.

Mr. Patterson and Masters H. and G. Patterson, of Britannia Beach, came to Sidney to spend the Christmas holidays and are the guests of Mrs. A. Berquist, Beacon Avenue.

The Girls' Auxiliary of St. Andrew's and Holy Trinity Church will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, January 4, at the home of Mrs. H. Mitchell, "The Orchard." It is hoped that all members will endeavor to attend as the new play, "The Drama of Esther," which is to be held in the Auditorium Theatre on January 5, is to be discussed.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. Thomas was christened at Holy Trinity Church, Patricia Bay, on Sunday last by the Rev. T. M. Hughes, the little girl receiving the names of Brenda Muriel.

Mrs. Ted Ranshield, of Point Grey, Vancouver, was the guest over Christmas of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Simister, Third Street.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Harvey, of Third Street, had as their guests over the Christmas week-end, Mr. and Mrs. Finch of Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Hign and son spent the week-end visiting friends in Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Ramsey and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Simister and daughter, of Victoria, are spending a few days visiting relatives here, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Simister.

Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Fatt, of Victoria, spent Christmas at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Philip Brethour, Oakland Avenue.

Mr. T. Renouf, of Los Angeles, Cal., is visiting here.

Fashion Fancies
By Marie Belmont

Velvet of deep sapphire blue seems the ideal medium for the youthful frock of abbreviated length shown above. The material itself is as soft as chiffon, and it is combined with equally supple cloth of silver.

The frock is really in two parts, a bodice, as are so many of the newer skirts, and the bolero jacket slips on over the head. The neckline is the same in the front and back.

This might also be done in white velvet faced with flesh and trimmed with gold, or in robin's egg blue crepe satin with deep blue

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The many friends of Mr. A. S. Warrender, manager of the Bank of Montreal, will be sorry to know that he is ill at his home through an attack of influenza, and wish him a speedy recovery. Mr. Field, of the Bank of Montreal, Victoria, is managing the local bank during Mr. Warrender's illness.

Ladysmith
Mr. T. McMillan, of Revelstoke, has returned home after spending the festive season with his parents in this city.

Mr. Frank McMillan, of Portier Pass Lighthouse, spent several days last week visiting his many friends in Ladysmith.

Miss Hill is visiting in Victoria for a few days.

Mr. A. Vuchere, from college in Portland, spent his Christmas vacation with his parents here.

Mr. Caldwell returned today after spending the week-end in Victoria.

The Burns Club has arranged to hold its annual anniversary on January 28, in the A.O.F. Hall.

Mr. William Gordon, who until recently had an interest in the business of the Service Garage, has accepted a position as a mechanic in the Lady-smith branch of the Corfield Motors, Limited.

Port Alberni
Mr. J. A. McNiff, of Alberni, is threatened with pneumonia, but his condition is hopeful. Mr. McNiff is one of the best known and most esteemed merchants of the old town.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. MacNaughton left Wednesday for Victoria to visit their daughter, Mrs. Sydney Whyte, who has been ill in the hospital. She has been operated upon but her speedy recovery is expected.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hamly are enjoying a few days' holiday in Vancouver and are staying at the St. Francis Hotel.

Christmas in Port Alberni has passed very quietly. The visitors were many from out-of-town districts, particularly from down the canal and West Coast points. No serious disturbances of any kind marked the occasion.

Pender Island
Miss Margaret Brackett and Miss Grace Hoffman spent the Christmas holidays at their homes at Browning Harbor.

Mrs. Alex. Hamilton returned home last week from the Jubilee Hospital, Victoria, accompanied by Miss Mary Hamilton, of the High School, who is spending the holidays on the island.

Mrs. A. Phelps, of Vancouver, is spending New Years with Mrs. Phelps, of Welcome Bay.

The United Church was suitably decorated for the Christmas service, which was held on December 26.

Mr. and Mrs. James Simpson entertained Vancouver and other guests on Tuesday night, one feature of the evening being the music of the bagpipes, played by their grandsons, George and Gordon McRae, of Vancouver.

Mrs. Craddock entertained a house party over Christmas, and gave a jolly little dance Monday night.

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Keating
Members of the South Saanich Junior Institute Club met at the home of Miss Hazel Lamont, Telegraph Road, on Monday afternoon to make candy for the children's Christmas treat, which was held on Tuesday afternoon. A busy afternoon was spent by the girls, after which tea was kindly served by the hostess.

Miss Eva Ambrose is spending the Christmas holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Ambrose, Giles Crossroad.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Warner and son Richard spent Christmas in Victoria at the home of Mr. P. Lawrie, Suffolk Street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Lawrie and family of Victoria, and Mr. and Mrs. Sutherland and family spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Lawrie, Giles Crossroad.

Mr. W. Fawson spent Christmas in Victoria as the guest of friends.

MISS EDITH MUSTARD
WEDS CIVIL SERVANT

Pretty Wedding Celebrated at First United Church—Bride and Groom Well Known Here

On Wednesday evening at the First United Church, Victoria, the Rev. Dr. W. G. Wilson solemnized a marriage of much interest in civil service circles, when Edith Menoah Mustard, private secretary to the Hon. Minister of Lands, became the bride of Mr. Henry Rive, dairy commissioner for the Province of British Columbia.

The bride is the younger daughter of Mrs. E. J. Mustard, of this city, and of the late John Mustard. The groom is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. E. Rive, of Vancouver, B.C.

Only the near relatives of the contracting parties were present. As Dr. H. W. Mustard, of Vancouver, was through illness, unable to be present at his sister's marriage, the bride was given away by her brother-in-law, Dr. Robert Wightman, of Seattle.

The bride, who was unattended, wore a charming frock of tea rose georgette, with touches of silver. For going away she wore a gown of pearly satin crepe trimmed with gold, a small silver and black hat and a Hudson seal coat with sable collar and cuffs.

Among the many beautiful gifts received was a handsome silver tea service and mahogany tray, presented to the bride by the Department of Lands; a diamond ring, a glass chalice, a silver set. The groom was given a mahogany clock by the dairy branch, and a beautiful upholstered chair by the Department of Agriculture.

GOVERNOR-GENERAL TO HOLD RECEPTION

His Excellency Will Receive in Senate Chamber on New Year's Day

OTTAWA, Dec. 30.—His Excellency the Governor-General's annual New Year's Day levee will take on new formality this year. Accompanied by his personal staff and his honorary aides-de-camp, His Excellency will receive gentlemen who wish to pay their respects in the Senate Chamber between noon and 4 p.m. It is the first time that the Senate Chamber has been used for this purpose, and its crimson, together with the dress uniforms of the staff, should make a brilliant setting. Formerly the reception was held in the East Block of the Parliament Buildings, where the Governor-General's office were used.

The quarters there made it necessary for visitors to wait in long lines in the corridors of the building before meeting His Excellency. This year all the Senate accommodation will be available, including the reception rooms of the Speaker of the Upper House.

There will be a large escort of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Ladysmith United Church Scholars Are Entertained

LADYSMITH, Dec. 30.—On Sunday evening the children of the United Church Sunday school had a most enjoyable time when Santa Claus appeared at the Christmas tree, which was beautifully decorated with a present for each of them. Santa Claus was most generous with his gifts, special efforts being made that all the little ones should receive something from his bountiful supply. The church was filled to its capacity with the parents, who enjoyed the programme of recitations, songs, and the representation of national costumes, which was well rendered by the children, doing great credit to those who so patiently trained them to such proficiency.

Victoria Hall Sunday School Annual Treat

Wednesday evening was the occasion of the annual treat for the children attending the Victoria Hall Sunday School. Two hundred children sat down to supper promptly at 6 o'clock, and after enjoying the good things freely provided, the tables were cleared and reset for the parents and friends of the children, numbering about 150.

After the children had had their romp, an interesting programme was introduced, which certainly gave credit to the care and energy exercised by the teachers in training these youngsters in their different parts.

The juvenile class, under the leadership of their teacher, Miss W. Pettigrew, assisted by Miss Peggy Roberts, sang very sweetly, "Jesus Bids Me Shine," each holding a small candle, with the electric lights all out. It was very expressive and received great applause from the audience. The other items were Masters Rutherford and Little David Miller's duet, and also young David Smart sang beautifully, "Who Is He In Yonder Stall?"

Every item on the programme voiced some spiritual teaching these children are receiving week by week.

St. John's Sunday School Holds Entertainment

The Christmas entertainment of St. John's Sunday School was held on Wednesday evening in the schoolroom, Mason Street.

Supper was served to the scholars at 6 p.m., and all enjoyed to their hearts content the viands so deliciously prepared and served under the supervision of Miss Forest and Miss Rife.

The rector of St. John's, the Rev. F. A. P. Quadwick, presided during the excellent programme which followed. He expressed his very great appreciation of the work which was being so ably carried on in connection with St. John's Sunday School, and thanked the superintendent, Mr. Alfred Hallam, and all the teachers and officers of the Sunday School for their faithful work during the past year, and predicted that even better things would be accomplished during the coming year.

A pleasing event during the programme was the presentation to Mrs. Wm. Carter of a beautiful silver jug suitably engraved. Both Mr. Chadwick and Mr. Hallam eulogized the services she had rendered in St. John's Sunday School.

Mr. Clifford Kirby presented Santa Claus and presented the prizes to the primary class. The diploma and prizes for the junior and senior departments will be presented next Sunday afternoon.

City Council Attending Sunday Services Here

Members of the City Council, School Board, together with the Police Commissioners, will attend service at the Metropolitan on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

C.P.R. Christmas Tree

The most successful Christmas tree entertainment yet given by the C.P.R. Social Club was held on Wednesday evening at the Temple Hall.

Nearly three hundred children and parents had an enjoyable time with Mr. Nat Spark, who acted perfectly as understudy for Santa Claus, and who was assisted by Messrs. Buller and McNeil, all of whom worked hard to give the "kiddies" a good time, the last named gentlemen taking the part of clowns.

The entertainment was presided over by the president of the club, Mr. John Alexander, while Mr. W. H. White was chairman of the general committee, the members of which did so much to make the gathering a success.

Hudson's Bay Dance

The annual New Year's eve dance of the Hudson's Bay Company Employees' Association will be held at the Alexandra Hall tonight. Dancing will be from nine to one, with a first-class orchestra supplying the music. Supper will be served. The event promises to eclipse any previous attempts by the committee in charge.

To Seek Seat on Oak Bay Council Again



COUNCILLOR THOMAS ASHIE who will seek re-election as a member of the Oak Bay Council in the forthcoming municipal election, Mr. Ashie previously declared he would not be in the field again, but through persuasion by friends, has changed his decision. He has been a member of the governing body for the last two years. Prior to his election as councillor, Mr. Ashie was a member of the Oak Bay School Board for eleven years. He is chairman of the Works Committee.

Fiery Outburst Of Alaska Volcano Alarms Village

DUTCH HARBOR, Alaska, Dec. 30.—Fire and vapor today burst from Mount Makushin, southwest of Dutch Harbor, and a heavy smoke tonight continued to pour from the peak. Fears were felt for the safety of residents of Makushin, a village near the mountain. A slight earthquake was noticed here about the time the eruption was first seen. Mount Makushin, an active volcano, 8,891 feet high, is on the northwest shore of Unalaska Island, the largest of the eastern Aleutians. An early as 1792 it was seen in eruption.

LEGION MEMBERS ARE HOSTS TO CHILDREN

Over Three Hundred Attended Annual Christmas Party of Pro Patria Branch Yesterday

The Pro Patria Branch of the Canadian Legion, of the B.E.S.L., were hosts to about 300 children at their annual Christmas tree party at the clubrooms, Courtney Street, yesterday.

The guests were banqueted from 5:30 to 6:30, after which a very enjoyable evening was spent.

The programme opened with community singing, led by Comrade Thorpe; Comrade Zala assisted at the piano.

A pianoforte duet, rendered by the Misses Emily and Lillian Bernard, was greatly applauded, while the singing of "Daisies Won't Tell" and "Let Me Call You My Sweetheart," by Miss "Pat" Bernard, was well received.

A very interesting talk was given by Major Kirkpatrick on the West Indies, the lecture being illustrated by lantern slides.

Santa Claus arrived about 8 p.m., amidst loud cheers from the crowded house, and after a few words with the children, he took up his position at the top of the stairs. As the children were ready to depart the Grand Old Saint gave each one a bag of candy and fruit, and once again the annual Christmas party of the Pro Patria Branch of the Canadian Legion became a thing of the past.

Government House Staff Entertained Last Night

Last evening His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Miss Mackenzie entertained the staff of Government House and their friends, to the number of about sixty, at a very enjoyable Yuletide party. Finlay's orchestra furnished the music for dancing, which took place in the ballroom, and a delectable supper was served, the proceedings terminating at midnight.

Annual Conference to Open Tomorrow Here

The thirty-sixth annual conference of "Christians gathered unto the name of the Lord Jesus Christ" will be held at Victoria Hall, 1415 Blanshard Street, for the three days beginning tomorrow. The sessions are open to all who are interested. There will be a rally at 3 o'clock tonight and the order of the meetings subsequently will be as follows:

Saturday, 10 a.m.—The Sunday School and its Needs; 2:30 p.m., prayer, praise and ministry; 7 p.m., the same.

Sunday, 11 a.m.—Breaking of bread; 3 p.m., prayer, praise and ministry; 7 p.m., gospel meeting, to be addressed by visiting brethren.

Monday, 2:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.—prayer and praise meetings.

Mr. Harold St. John, of London, England, and Mr. A. L. Ritts, of Chicago, will be here, it is expected, to address the sessions.

Watch Night Service at Metropolitan Tonight

Tonight at the Metropolitan Church, a social hour will begin at 10 o'clock, under the auspices of the Young People's Department, to be followed by a watch night service from 11 to 12, conducted by the pastor. The choir will sing at midnight, "Ring Out, Wild Bells."

A cordial invitation is extended to the public.

Kumtiks Members Asked For Ticket Statement

Miss Wigley, president of the Kumtiks Club, would like all members who had tickets for sale for the Ka-leh performances, to let her have a complete statement of the number and value of those sold not later than this afternoon. As a full accounting must be made on Saturday, it is imperative that club members get in touch with her at once. Prompt co-operation will be greatly appreciated.

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Today's Drug Savings

Houigan's Quiques Fleur Perfume, in glass stoppered dropper bottles. Special at each 50¢
Perfume Sprays. Values at \$1.50 for \$1.27
Perfume Sprays. Values at \$2.75 for \$1.98
Velour Powder Puffs in colors, at 25¢
2 for 43¢
Dusting Powder, Large Size Puff and Bath Crystals, all in an attractive package. \$2.50 value for \$2.10
Shaving Brushes, \$1.50 values for \$1.19
Shaving Cream and Styptic Pencil, 45¢ value 37¢
Dusbury Shaving Bowls, \$1.75
Yardley's Shaving Bowls, \$1.00
Pebeco Tooth Paste, 50¢ value for 34¢
Listerine Tooth Paste, 19¢
Tooth Brushes, sanitary package, 35¢ value 23¢
Tooth Brush Holders, each, 23¢
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Year-End Reductions in Women's Coats and Frocks

For quick clearance we are offering these stylish coats and frocks at much below their regular prices. The fabrics are new, the styles up-to-the-minute and workmanship that will assure you of the most satisfactory wear.

Velour and Tweed Coats, Values to \$29.50 for \$12.95

Smart Velour Coats, made from all-wool materials and fully lined; also smart tweeds and plaids with crushable collars of Arctic hare and moufflon. Sizes 16 to 40. Sale. **\$12.95**

Tweed and Velour Coats, Values to \$49.50, for \$24.95

Stylish Coats in Novelty Tweeds, Plaids and All-Wool Velours. Have handsome collars of rich furs, many with cuffs to match. Lined with sateen de luxe, gloria silk. Sizes 16 to 42. **\$24.95**

Sale Price.....

Afternoon and Evening Frocks, Values to \$45.00 for \$24.95

A good selection of dresses, including some smart French models. Fashioned from satin, crepe, georgette, flat and crystal crepe with novelty trimmings of embroidery, beads and self materials. **\$24.95**

Sizes 16 to 38. Sale Price.....



Girls' Pleated Skirts Special, \$1.49

Servicable School Skirts in navy blue serge, white cotton bodice; sizes 6 to 14 years. Sale Price **\$1.49**

Girls' Flannel Dresses Special, \$3.98

Smart Dresses in servicable quality flannel, Peter Pan collar or round neck trimmed with silk braid, long waisted style with narrow belt. Shown in scarlet, sand, navy and terrapin; sizes 8, 10 and 12 years. Sale **\$3.98**

All Children's Coats Greatly Reduced

Plain Blanket Cloth Coats Servicable little coats with button-up collars, with and without belts; full lined. Shown in camel, brown, green and blue; sizes 1 to 3 years. Values to \$4.95. Sale Price **\$3.69**

Novelty Coats Dainty styles in velour or English broadcloth, tailored or fur-trimmed styles. Shown in rust, sandalwood, heaver, saxe and laven green. Sizes 2 to 4 years. Regular prices, \$5.95 to \$15.95. Sale Prices, **\$4.69 to \$11.98**

Men's Winter Overcoats

Regular \$35.00 and \$40.00

For **\$31.95**



Tailored from extra heavy all-wool tweeds, blue chin-chillas and velour-finished fabrics. Double-breasted and single-breasted styles with plain backs, tube and half-belted effects. Lined with art silk and sateen. Sizes 35 to 44. Regular \$35.00 and \$40.00. Sale Price **\$31.95**

\$50.00 Overcoats \$39.95

This season's newest and smartest materials, navy naps, fancy blue weaves, grey and fawn tweeds; also lovat and English tweed mixtures. Tailored by the best Canadian houses, in plain back, full and half-belted styles, with set-in or raglan sleeves. Sizes 34 to 46. A wonderful opportunity to buy a high-grade coat at a reasonable price. Regular \$50.00. Sale Price **\$39.95**

Men's and Young Men's Suits, Values to \$40.00, for \$27.50

Single and double-breasted styles in plain navy, grey, blue with blue stripe Botany yarns and worsteds, light and dark tweeds and fancy worsteds. A large selection of models, to fit tall, short, stout and regular sizes. Values to \$40.00. Sale Price **\$27.50**

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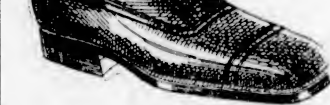
Year-End Sale of Men's Winter Footwear

In the first group are Black Box Calf Boots and Oxfords, in Balmoral style, with heavy welted soles and rubber heels; black also, Blucher style boots, with black Scotch grain uppers, half double welted soles and rubber heels; heavy duck lining; all sizes. Sale Price

\$4.50



Group Number Two includes Business Men's Boots in black box calf, in Balmoral style, and Black Calf Oxfords, with single or double welted soles and rubber heels; all sizes. Per pair



\$5.50

—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Candies for New Year

Ganong's Assorted Chocolates, per lb. **75¢**
Assorted Satin Finished Candy, per lb. **40¢**
Special Mixture, consisting of Jelly Quizzes, Fig Strips and French Creams, per lb. **35¢**
Cowan's Assorted Milk Chocolates, consisting of Maple Buds, Chocolate Almonds and Silver Bells, per lb. **50¢**
Crystallized Ginger Jellies, per lb. **50¢**
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Cigars for the New Year

Simon's Dimples, box of 10 for **95¢**
Simon's Roosevelts, box of 10 for **95¢**
Simon's Banquets, box of 25 for **\$3.00**
Robert Burns Cigars, box of 10 for **\$1.50**
Robert Burns Cigars, box of 25 for **\$3.50**
Vandykes, box of 25 **\$2.00**
Goyencas Cigars, box of 10 **\$1.00** and **\$1.25**
—Main Floor, H.B.C.

GROCERIES and PROVISIONS FOR THE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY

Patrons are reminded of the necessity to lay in sufficient supplies to last over until Monday morning. All purchases made today will be charged to next month's account, payable in February.

Finest Quality New Zealand Creamery Butter, per lb. **50¢**
3 lbs. for **\$1.48**
Hudson's Bay Company's "Seal of Quality" Creamery Butter, per lb. **48¢**
3 lbs. for **\$1.35**
Finest Quality Alberta Creamery Butter, per lb. **44¢**
3 lbs. for **\$1.30**
Choice Quality Creamery Butter, per lb. **42¢**
3 lbs. for **\$1.25**
Pure Bulk Lard, per lb. **19¢**
3 lbs. for **55¢**
Swift's Premium Hams, half or whole; per lb. **40¢**
Dominion Brand Hams, half or whole; per lb. **35¢**
Machine Sliced Yorkshire Roll, per lb. **38¢**
Finest Quality Side Breakfast Bacon, per lb. **44¢**
Hudson's Bay Company's "Seal of Quality" Peameal Bacon, per lb. **50¢**
Swift's Premium Boneless Hams, sliced; per lb. **53¢**
Swift's Premium Side Bacon, per lb. **42¢**
Golden Loaf Cheese, lb. **38¢**
Prime Old Ontario Cheese, per lb. **33¢**
Swift's Premium Boiled Ham, per lb. **65¢**
Sliced Corned Beef, per lb. **30¢**

Sliced Jellied Ox Tongue, per lb. **85¢**
Hudson's Bay Company's Special Breakfast Tea, per lb. **55¢**
3 lbs. for **\$1.60**
Hudson's Bay Company's Ceylon Broken Orange Pekoe Tea, per lb. **65¢**
3 lbs. for **\$1.90**
Hudson's Bay Company's Freshly Roasted Pure Coffee, per lb. **45¢**
Finest Quality B.C. Granulated Sugar, 20 lb. paper sack, **\$1.55**

BISCUIT SPECIAL
Supreme Sandwich, a delicious vanilla wafer with a lemon cream filling. Regular, per lb. 45¢. Special, per lb. **29¢**

Nine Crown Spanish Table Raisins, per package **55¢**
Seven Crown New Layer Table Figs, Special, per lb. **28¢**
Jordan Table Almonds, Special, per lb. **92¢**
Peck, Frean's Assorted Shortbread, round tin **85¢**
Lobby's Moist Mince-meat, per lb. **23¢**
2 lbs. for **45¢**
Fancy Re-cleaned Australian Currants, 2 lbs. for **25¢**
Beach-Eskins Pure Strawberry Jam, 4 lb. tin **68¢**

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

Extra Fancy Okanagan Apples, per box **\$3.00**
New California Navel Oranges, per dozen **35¢**
45¢, 55¢ and **75¢**
Finest Japanese Oranges, per box **85¢**
Choice Florida Grapefruit, each, **15¢**, **20¢** and **25¢**
Fancy D'Anjou and Bosc Pears, 3 lbs. for **25¢**
Cape Cod Cranberries, Special, per lb. **20¢**
Local Brussels Sprouts, 2 lbs. for **25¢**
Fresh Celery, per stick **10¢** and **15¢**
Spanish Onions, 6 lbs. for **25¢**
Local Carrots and Swede Turnips, 10 lbs. for **25¢**
Fine Sweet Potatoes, lb. **10¢**

NUTS IN SHELL

Superior Mixed Nuts, containing soft shell walnuts, per lb. **34¢**
2 lbs. for **\$1.00**
New Washed Brazil, lb. **25¢**
Barcelona Filberts, per lb. **25¢**
California Soft Shell Walnuts, per lb. **50¢**
Tarragona Almonds, lb. **30¢**
Imported Chestnuts, lb. **30¢**
Freshly Roasted Peanuts, per lb. **15¢**
—Lower Main Floor, H.B.C.

Fresh Meats for the New Year

STEER BEEF

Sirloin, Porterhouse and T-Bone Roasts, cut short; per lb. **29¢**
Thick Prime Rib Roast, cut short; per lb. **25¢**
Aitch Bone Roast, per lb. **23¢**
Rump Roast, per lb. **20¢**
Thick Rib Roast, per lb. **17¢**

PORK

Legs, whole or half; per lb. **33¢**
Loins, round or per lb. **33¢**
Shoulders, cut to suit; per lb. **25¢**

LAMB

Legs, whole or half; lb. **38¢**
Loins, whole or half; lb. **38¢**
Shoulders, whole or half; per lb. **23¢**

VEAL

Fillets, 4 to 10 lbs.; per lb. **35¢**
Loins, cut to suit; per lb. **30¢**
Rumps, 4 to 8 lbs.; per lb. **25¢**
Shoulders, cut to suit; lb. **20¢**

1,000 Lbs. of Turkeys, Geese, Ducks, Chickens and Fowl, all at

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NEWS OF THE SPORTING WORLD

Portland Puckchasers to Perform Here Tomorrow

Will Meet Victoria All-Stars at Willows Rink at 2:30 in Exhibition Game—Locals Have Strong Line-Up—Diedal to Referee

Victoria's all-star hockey team that will represent this city against Portland on New Year's Day was selected last night and is as follows:

Alex. Straith, Hughie Burnett and Temple, Stan Stanyer, Jack Sanders, Jack Foster, Allan Tuckwell, Harry Smith and Jim Quenell.

The team will play in The Colonist colors and will be managed by Bill McAllister. Diedal will referee the game, which will commence at 2:30.

The local boys held their final workout last night and the management reported them to be in first class condition.

A glance at the Victoria line-up will give the fans some idea as to how they should fare against the Americans. Alex. Straith, who will be guarding the net, is rated as one of the best goalies in the game. The defence in front of him will be composed of Hughie Burnett and Ivan Temple. Hughie impressed the fans with his exhibition against the crack Port Arthur aggregation here some weeks ago and they will welcome the announcement that this star defence man will be out with the locals tomorrow. He will have with him Ivan

Will Be on Victoria's First Line of Attack



STAN STANYER
Fast forward of the Stanley hockey team, who will be playing tomorrow against the visiting Portland puckchasers.

104; Cup Bear, 106; Trapmint, 108; Dr. Clark, 108; Paganus, 116; *Swetsten, 117.

*Hunter entry.

Sixth race, one mile—Ferry Road, 97; Radcliffe, 98; Cullinan, 98; Hon-tello, 101; Plain Rock, 101; Pepper-shot, 101; Soldier Bird, 105; Assault, 106; Princess Hermes, 104; Shasta Grande, 106; Scotsman, 109.

Seventh race, seven furlongs—Cadmus, 106; Doug, 111; Johnson, 106; Murt, Guy, 106; Friend Joe, 107; Belle K., 110; 22 Cid, 110; Viola Burton, 110; Wee Girl, 110; Billy Gibson, 111; Old Broadway, 115; Edmon, 115; Matinee Idol, 106; Singapore, 111; Lucky Run, 111; Broncho Girl, 107; Crystal Deer, 114.

Eighth race, six furlongs—Kalko, 104; High Joy, 108; Rosamund, 107; Shasta Donna, 107; Key Sehe, 107; Belle K., 110; 22 Cid, 110; Viola Burton, 110; Wee Girl, 110; Billy Gibson, 111; Old Broadway, 115; Edmon, 115; Matinee Idol, 106; Singapore, 111; Lucky Run, 111; Broncho Girl, 107; Crystal Deer, 114.

Ninth race, five and one-half furlongs—1, Kidder, \$17.40, \$14.00, \$4.80; 2, Suetite, \$4, \$3; 3, Galloping Joe, \$3.80. Time, 1:08 1-5.

Third race, seven furlongs—1, Common Gold, \$13.80, \$6.60, \$4; 2, Hu-quinne, \$7.60, \$5.20; 3, Lady Choco, \$8. Time, 1:28 2-5.

Fourth race, six furlongs—1, Pri-soner, \$20.80, \$5, \$4.20; 2, Architect, \$2.80, \$2.20; 3, Golden Lux, \$3.20. Time, 1:13 1-5.

Fifth race, one mile and seventy yards—1, Billy Todd, \$5.20, \$3.60, \$2.80; 2, Parnell, \$3, \$2.50; 3, Rix-pence, \$4. Time, 1:45 3-5.

Sixth race, one mile and seventy yards—1, Herod's Pride, \$13, \$4.60, \$3; 2, Barn Dollar, \$3.20, \$2.80; 3, High Prince, \$4, Time, 1:44.

Seventh race, five furlongs—1, Don Eduardo, \$3.40, \$2.60, \$2.40; 2, Easter Bella, \$3.60, \$3.60; 3, Tamarind, \$4.60. Time, 1:00 3-5.

Eighth race, six furlongs—1, Cot-feld, \$3.60, \$3.20, \$3.40; 2, Pollov Me, \$13.20, \$7; 3, Sunnymaid, \$3.20. Time, 1:13 4-5.

Overnight Entries

First race, five and one-half furlongs—1, Fox, \$3, \$2.50, \$2.50; 2, Olympian King, 102; Cancellation, 102; Leonore Elander, 102; Hypnotic, 105; Sequen, 104; Billie Hope, 107; Louvain, 110; Seclusion, 110; Faithful Girl, 110; Deep Blue, 112; Salton, 115; Wo. Montgomery, 102; Great Finisher, 102; Harrigan's Heir, 111; Verriehon, 103; Kether Clark, 109; Penion, 107.

Second race, five and one-half furlongs—Helle of Milton, \$5; Jack Sharper, \$8; Cabin Maid, \$8; Quinine, \$8; Anna Mary, \$8; Quin, 100; Program, 101; Ask John, 101; Lemon Reih, 101; Miss Emmert, 101; Van-deburg, 103; Fireplace, 104; Senator Crow, 104; The Harvey, 104; Ruffly, 103; Arzavan, 103; Aricicle, 103; Kikapan, 105; Little Smoke, 104; Jay Roberts, 108; Lierre, 111; Sno-quain, 104; Good Will, 100; Zeelet, 109; Waterbird, 101; Wood Lady, 103; Nancy Wines, 104.

Third race, one mile—Bunbury, \$4; St. Angelina, \$8; Falls of Afton, \$8; Texas Ranger, \$8; Ruffly, 103; Ruffly, 103; Arzavan, 103; Aricicle, 103; Kikapan, 105; Little Smoke, 104; Jay Roberts, 108; Lierre, 111; Sno-quain, 104; Good Will, 100; Zeelet, 109; Waterbird, 101; Wood Lady, 103; Nancy Wines, 104.

Fourth race, one and one-eighth miles—Doe, McMahon, 101; Bixpenne, 102; Jolly Cephas, 102; Bixpenne, 101; Gloom Girl, 106; Wynnewood, 108; Irish Brigadier, 106; Breechloader, 110.

Fifth race, Club House Course—Mangle K., \$3; Vowell, \$2; *Hegonia,

Accused of Playing the Judas in Baseball



DUTCH LEONARD
Who is reported to have received \$20,000 for the letters that enabled Judge Landis to banish Cobb, Speaker, Joe Wood and Leonard himself from organized baseball. Leonard, who during his career under both Cobb and Speaker, is now ranching near Fresno, California.

Eleven Women Swimmers to Try for Wrigley's Money

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 30.—The icy coldness of the Santa Catalina channel's waters and its turbulent elements, which have thwarted the attempts of nearly a score of swimmers, both men and women this year, appear to hold no terrors for nators of the latter sex, for eleven have entered in the marathon swim scheduled to be staged January 15.

One of the feminine entrants, Mrs. Alma Moore, of Los Angeles, will be teaming with her husband, Leiland B. Moore, in an effort to take both prizes, totalling \$10,000, offered by William Wrigley, Jr.

The list of feminine swimmers entered, as announced today by Omar Reichow, a member of the committee in charge of the event, follows:

Miss Margaret Hauser and Miss Myrtle Huddleston, of Long Beach; Miss Reba "Bobby" Schwartz, Miss Martha Stager and Mrs. Alma Moore, of Los Angeles; Miss Charabette Barrett and Miss Ellen Ray, of New York; Mrs. Della Sullivan, of Holyoke, Mass.; Miss Valérie, Mahar Schramm, of Coronado, Cal.; Mrs. Lee Fournier, of San Bernardino, Cal.; and Miss Jean McKenzie, of Carpinteria, Cal.

HERE'S CHANCE FOR MONTREAL MAROONS

BILL GAINSFORD SHOULD BE "Tower of Strength," But Ahearn Thinks He Might Be Too Slow

OTTAWA, Dec. 30.—Following reports that the champion Montreal Maroon entry of the N.H.L. is in the market for new strength to their line-up, Frank Ahearn, president of the Ottawa Senators Club, has drawn the attention of Maroon officers to Bill Gainsford, the "Young Sampson" of the Northern Ontario Hockey League.

Gainsford stands six feet seven inches in his stocking feet, tips the beam at 267 pounds, and, due to the fact that he has worked in the Gatineau woods since childhood, is said to be as "strong as an ox." The young giant drew the attention of an Ottawa Senator scout in a recent game when the Point Comfort team, on which he stars, played against the team of Houchette. Gainsford scored eight goals during the game, and with his weight rendered four Houchette players, who attempted to check him, hors de combat. The game had

to be stopped with ten minutes still to play as Houchette was short of players. Mr. Ahearn intimated that Gainsford's style of play would not fit into the Senator line-up, as he said it was built for more speed.

Draw for New Year Foursomes at Uplands

Following is the draw for the mixed foursomes to be played at the Uplands Golf Club on New Year's Day. Post entries will be received from complete foursomes.

9:10—Mr. and Mrs. James Ellis with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Loveland.

9:15—Miss D. Cass and P. Edmonds with Mr. and Mrs. Peachey.

9:20—Mrs. Lawson and J. Hargreaves with Mrs. Hargreaves and J. D. Gillis.

9:25—Miss M. E. Young and F. Lewin with Mrs. F. Wilding and Captain A. M. Boyd.

9:30—Mrs. E. H. Sanders and H. R. Allan with Mrs. E. F. Nickson and F. L. Leslie.

9:35—Miss Archibald and Dr. West-wood with Mr. and Mrs. H. E. English.

9:40—Mrs. Clarke Gamble and R. H. Medus with Miss A. Miller and W. N. Pirrie.

9:45—Mr. and Mrs. Challenor with Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Blackman and A. Sheret with Miss E. M. Mills and C. Morrison.

9:50—Miss M. A. Cameron and R. Dunn with Miss E. Hiccocks and J. Savident.

10:00—Miss H. Blankenbach and Captain W. E. Tapley with Miss E. Grant and F. Wilding.

10:05—Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Macdonald with Mrs. L. L. Pocock and F. Moore.

10:10—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Richardson with Miss J. Angus and F. Austin.

10:15—Mrs. H. E. Burnes and F. C. Dillibough with Mrs. F. C. Elliott and J. P. Ford.

10:20—Mrs. A. H. Forbes and A. V. Price with Mrs. A. V. Price and A. H. Forbes.

10:25—Mr. and Mrs. Grey with Mr. and Mrs. Rasmussen.

10:30—Partner and R. H. Macdonald with Partner and R. H. Macdonald.

10:35—Mrs. L. A. Mcneuz and J. H. Mcneuz with Mrs. E. Prescott and F. H. Blashfield.

11:20—Miss R. D. Fraser and H. R. Elliott with Miss K. E. Fraser and A. H. Elliott.

12:00—Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Sempie with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Gaiser.

1:35—Rev. W. G. Wilson and Mrs. W. G. Wilson with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Robertson.

Skating Club Sessions

There will be no session of the Victoria Skating Club on New Year's Day. Instead there will be a special session on Monday afternoon, January 2, from 2 to 5 as well as the usual Wednesday evening session on January 3.

Get Horn Rims and Putt Like Vardon

TOTTERIDGE, England, Dec. 30.—Horn-rimmed glasses have restored Harry Vardon's putting eye. For some time this veteran English golf stylist has been steadily losing his skill on the green due to defective vision, causing much anguish to all golfers who had watched him play faultlessly from tee to green despite his fifty-six years, and then fritter putt after putt. Vardon was fitted with glasses a few days ago and yesterday staged a great comeback, shooting a 55, which is 18 under par on his home course here. He went out in 31, with twelve putts, and came home in 35, with seventeen putts.

CHANGES ARE MADE IN SOCCER LINE-UP

Esquimalt Will Meet "The Rest" in Only Game on New Year's Day

Only one soccer game will be played on New Year's Day, and that will be between Esquimalt and "The Rest" at the Royal Athletic Park at 2:30, with Hewison in charge of the whistle.

A number of changes have been made in the line-up of "The Rest" and the team that will oppose Esquimalt was announced last night by Secretary Stokes as follows:

Whitie (Victoria West); Kennedy (Sanich Thistles); Watson (Victoria West); Mullar (Sanich Thistles); Peden (Victoria West) and Shankie (Victoria West); Mulachy (Victoria West); Minnis (Sanich Thistles); Burns (Sanich Thistles); Saville (James Island) and Thomas (Sanich Thistles); reserve, Crowe (Sanich Thistles).

Club delegates are asked to attend a meeting which will be held at the Y.M.C.A. on Monday at eight o'clock, at which communications from the Dominion Football Association with reference to the proposed tour of the Scottish team next summer will be read.

Racing Accident

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 30.—Jockey D. Craver received a possible fracture of his right arm when his mount, French Lady, fell in the third race at Jefferson Park track here this afternoon.

Husky Defence Player Of Victoria All-Stars



IVAN TEMPLE
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Turning to RUGBY, The Old 'Un had the tendency some time ago to express the opinion that the OLYMPIC GAMES were not an unmitigated blessing to amateur sport. Certainly there is that about them which is also ridiculous.

The STANFORD Rugby team at the last Games won the so-called Rugby championship of the world.

The games were played in May with no British teams entered.

The Stanford Rugby team has demonstrated to us that it is composed of good fellows and good sportsmen, who play a fair game of Rugby. But what kind of a match does anyone who saw them suppose they would be for Oxford or Cambridge? And, if they had met the All-Black team which visited here a year or two ago, does anybody suppose that the score would have been much less ridiculous than that in the cricket match referred to above?

It was just a question of grabbing off a few cheap points for their country to add to its grand total, but considered as a test of the best Rugby of the world it was of course a joke.

Maroons Score Two to Nothing for Cougars

Hockey Game at Windsor One of Roughest Seen There This Season—Seventeen Penalties Handed Out—St. Pats Play Brilliantly to Defeat Bruins—Canadiens Win Fourth in a Row

WINDSOR, Dec. 30.—Montreal Maroons quicker to start and sturdier in defence, defeated the Detroit Cougars two to nothing here tonight in a National Hockey League game.

Nels Stewart, husky Maroon centre, rushed from the penalty box into a Montreal play early in the first period, eluded the Cougar defence and carried the puck into the net. Duncan Munro scored the second Maroon goal late in the second period by slipping the puck between the feet of both the Detroit defence men and the goalie.

Seventeen penalties, imposed by Referee Hewison, of Toronto, failed to prevent the game from being one of the roughest in the Windsor arena this season.

Summary

First Period—1, Montreal, Stewart, 2:05.

Second Period—2, Montreal, Munro, 16:00.

Third Period—No score.

Penalties

Kitchen (6), Stewart, Gordon, Noble (3), Laughlin, Oatman (3), Selber (2), Broadbent, Foyston, Munro, Sheppard.

Frenchmen Win

MONTREAL, Dec. 30.—Canadiens scored their fourth consecutive victory in triumph tonight when they defeated the fast-skating Pittsburgh Pirates by one to nothing.

For well over two periods the teams battled in a scoreless deadlock, and over half-way through the final session, Billy Houcher finally batted the puck over the prostrate form of Worters to give Canadiens their winning margin.

Pittsburgh played speedy hockey, but they were shaded by the flying Frenchmen, who held a margin in the play.

Worters, Pittsburgh goalie, was never better. He was cut over the eye in the final period and had to take time out. It was after the accident that the Canadiens scored.

Summary

First Period—No score.

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Third Period—1, Canadiens, Boucher, 12:5.

Penalties

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Brilliant Victory

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B. C. Fishing Industry Had One of Best Years

Increase of 47,060 Cases Noted in Salmon Canning Over 1925, With Returns Incomplete—Inland Fisheries Thriving and Expanding

Revenue from Canadian sea fisheries in the month of September amounted to \$3,924,557. The combined catches on eastern and western coasts totalled 166,170,000 pounds, a gain of 12,000,000 pounds over the same month of the previous year. On the Atlantic coast there were increases recorded in the taking of cod, herring, sardines, lobsters and haddock, and on the Pacific coast in the halibut catch. The largest catch of fish ever made in the Maritimes is reported for the year ended September, the twelve months' catch being 366,000,000 pounds, compared with the previous record of 347,000,000 pounds. September was the banner month with an increase in volume of 21,000,000 pounds and in value of half a million dollars over the same month of 1925.

Exports of fish from Canada in the twelve months ended September had a total value of \$35,122,283, as compared with \$35,051,588 in the previous twelve months, and \$31,105,762 in the year before that. Exports of canned salmon accounted for \$9,395,497; dried codfish for \$4,457,111, and canned lobsters for \$3,662,227. Imports of fish into the Dominion in the same period had a value of \$2,245,982, as compared with \$2,412,152 in the previous twelve months period.

A Good Year
The year 1926 will rank as one of the best in the history of the British Columbia salmon-packing industry. With several canneries still to complete their pack the provincial output had already created a record with 1,194,802 cases, an increase of 47,060 cases over the previous record made in 1924. The outlook for this phase of the industry is considered very bright. There is an assured supply of raw material and an assured market for the finished product. The demand for British Columbia's salmon products throughout the world is steadily increasing. The countries of South America have developed a taste for the Pacific coast product and a steadily increasing demand from that quarter is one of the outstanding features of the present market.

Inland Fisheries of Alberta
The inland fisheries of the Northwest, particularly Alberta, are apparently thriving and expanding their exports to markets on the continent. The summer fish catch on Lesser Slave Lake amounted to more than 650,000 pounds of whitefish, 48,711 pounds of pickerel, 210,152 pounds of pike and smaller quantities of other fish. In one week 30,000 pounds of fresh pickerel were taken from Pinehurst Lake, near Lac la Biche, and with quantities of fresh water herring shipped to the United States market. A carload of trout weighing 25,000 pounds from Lesser Slave Lake left Edmonton a short time ago for Minneapolis to be followed by others from the same lake and Lac la Biche, 120 tons of whitefish went to New York. The first fish in Canada, outside of British Columbia, for the freezing of fish, poultry and eggs under the Otteon process, is to be installed in Edmonton with an initial capacity of fifteen tons per day. It is authoritatively announced that the great development enjoyed by the fishing industry in the past few years has decided the Hudson's Bay Company to extend its activities to the fishing industry on the St. Lawrence, and that for that purpose it will open an office and place a permanent agent in Quebec next Spring. St. Lawrence salmon, halibut and herring will be the chief fish in which the company will specialize and its activities will be directed principally towards the development of markets for their output in the United Kingdom and Canada.

Weather Report
Prince Rupert—Rain; southeast, light; 29.18; 48; smooth.
Estevan—Rain; southeast, gale; 29.50; 50; rough.
Pachena—Cloudy; southeast, gale; 29.87; 52; rough.
Carmanah—Overcast; east, strong; 29.85; heavy chop.

Clearton Is Being Towed to Halifax
MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 30.—The British steamer Clearton, which distressed last night off Newport News, Va., was being towed to Halifax today, messages picked up by the Tropical Radio Telegraph Company of Miami said. The radio station could not give the name of the rescue ship.

E. & N. RAILWAY SCHEDULE
Trains leave Victoria at 9 a.m. and 4:55 p.m. daily for Wellington and Gray Point.
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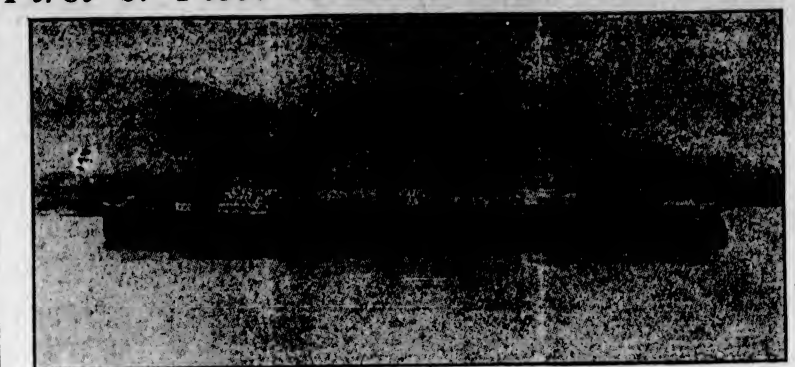
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First of Fleet to Dock With New Colors



R.M.S. EMPRESS OF ASIA
Of the Canadian Pacific Trans-Pacific Line, which will be the first of the steamers to arrive here with the new colors. The Asia, since her last appearance here, has gone under the brush and has been painted white, with a striking blue line below the water line. She is expected here on January 24.

Tenders Being Called For Erection of Fence Around Esquimalt Dock

Tenders for the erection of a fence around the boundaries of the new Esquimalt Drydock and adjoining the Royal Canadian Naval Barracks at Esquimalt, are being called for by the Department of Public Works at Ottawa. The bids will be open until January 19, 1927, and forms of the contract may be obtained from the district engineer here, or from the postoffice at Vancouver.

U.S. Atlantic Coastwise Adds New Passenger Ship

St. Ignace, the largest and fastest passenger carrier ever built for Atlantic coastwise traffic, was launched this month at the yard of the Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Company. The vessel is 408 feet long with a beam of sixty-two feet, and draws twenty feet six inches loaded. She was built by the St. Ignace, is already under construction and will be launched early in January. These two vessels and four other big passenger steamers built by this one company in the last two years, will add 45,000 tons to the New York-Florida service, at an aggregate cost of \$14,000,000.

Steamer Rams Powerboat; Three Believed Drowned

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Three men are believed to have been drowned when the American Export Line's freighter City of St. Joseph struck and sank a small powerboat near St. George, Staten Island, last evening. A seaman was tossed into the water when a lifeboat from the freighter was overturned in launching, and two unidentified men of the three passengers in the launch disappeared as the powerboat went down.

Parana Cleared Yesterday

After loading 1,300,000 feet of lumber at the Outer Wharves, the Danish steamer Parana cleared for Chalmers last night. After completing there the vessel will proceed to Adelaide, Australia.

Ocean and Coastwise Movements

VESSEL MOVEMENTS
SEATTLE, Dec. 30.—Arrived: Frank H. Buck, Port Costa; Northland, Tean, President Jackson, Roman Star, Alaska, Tacoma; Paul Luckenbach, Everett; Steel Age, Taku Bar; Charles R. McCormick, Portland; Sailed: Charles R. McCormick, West Kasaan, Amur, Tacoma; Northland, Bellingham; Mauna Ala, Port Ludlow; Alabama, Maru, Seattle; Architect, San Francisco.

PETERSBURG, Dec. 30.—Sailed: Northwest, southbound.
JUNEAU, Dec. 30.—Sailed: Northwest, southbound.
PORTLAND, Dec. 30.—Arrived: London Shipper, London; Kohana Maru, Warrenton; Robin Goodfellow, Baltimore and New York via San Francisco; Admiral Dewey, San Diego, Los Angeles and San Francisco; Tejon, Los Angeles; Sailed: William F. Herlin, Los Angeles.

TACOMA, Dec. 30.—Arrived: Northland, Pedro, Minna, Architect, Seattle; West Nivara, Plymouth, San Pedro; Contra Costa, Point Wells; Sailed: Wilhelms, New York; Tean, Seattle; Tanana, Seward; Dorothy Luckenbach, New York; Oriole, Portland; Canadian Winner, Vancouver.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30.—Arrived: Superstar, Nobles, Listerion, San Pedro; Kermitt, Hamburg; Florence Olsen, Gray Harbor; Sailed: Charlie Watson, Frank Young, 11, P. S. Sailed: Seattle, Tanana, Seward, Dorothy Luckenbach, New York; Oriole, Portland; Canadian Winner, Vancouver.

HAMPTON ROUTE, Va., Dec. 30.—Canadian Prospector, Vancouver; Maclean, San Francisco.
NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Diana Dolmar, Seattle.
NORFOLK, Dec. 30.—Canadian Prospector, Vancouver.
SHANGHAI, Dec. 29.—Lyo Maru, Vancouver.

Sailed
ANTWERP, Dec. 30.—Wittell, San Francisco.
DAIREN, Dec. 30.—Edmore Seattle.
YOKOHAMA, Dec. 28.—President Wilson, Seattle.

STEAMER ARRIVALS
Bothwell, at London, from Saint John.

WIRELESS REPORT
(Estevan, 8 P.M., Unless Otherwise Stated)
Arizona Maru—Yokohama to Victoria, 1,506 miles from Victoria.
E. D. Kingley, Vancouver to San Pedro, 361 miles from San Francisco.
Canadian Farmer, San Francisco to Vancouver, 93 miles from Vancouver.
Canadian Winner—San Francisco to Seattle, 22 miles from Seattle.
Erik Friessell, Yokohama to Victoria, 260 miles from Victoria.
Canadian Ranger—Montreal to Victoria, 207 miles from Victoria.
Princess Ena—At Esos, 5 p.m.

C.G.M.M. MOVEMENTS
Canadian Ranger, en route Panama-Vancouver; due December 30.
Canadian Freighter, en route Kingston-United Kingdom; due at Kingston January 2.
Canadian Highlander, en route Swansea-Vancouver; due Vancouver February 4.

Shipping Calendar
To Arrive
Arizona Maru from Orient, January 4.
President McKinley from Orient, January 6.
Niagara from Australia, January 7.
Southwestern Miller from United Kingdom, January 8.
Alaska Maru from Orient, January 10.
Tathylbus from Orient, January 11.
Toyoma Maru from Orient, January 13.
President Jefferson from Orient, January 18.
President of Asia from Orient, January 24.
Philoctetes from Orient, January 25.
Kaga Maru from Orient, January 25.

To Sail
Alabama Maru for Orient, December 30.
Shidankos Maru for Orient, December 30.
Yokohama Maru for Orient, January 12.
Niagara from Australia, January 12.
President McKinley for Orient, January 17.
Arizona Maru for Orient, January 20.
Tathylbus for Orient, January 27.
President Jefferson for Orient, January 28.
Empress of Asia for Orient, February 5.

TRANS-PACIFIC MAILS
DECEMBER, 1926
China and Japan
Empress of Canada—Mails close December 4, 5 p.m. Due at Yokohama December 14, Shanghai, December 20; Hong Kong, January 2.
President Grant—Mails close December 12, 4 p.m. Due at Yokohama December 24; Shanghai, December 29; Hong Kong, January 2.
Tyndareus—Mails close December 16, 12 noon. Due at Yokohama December 31; Hong Kong, January 11.
London Maru—Mails close December 17, 11 p.m. Due at Yokohama January 2.
Empress of Russia—Mails close December 21, 5 p.m. Due at Yokohama January 6; Shanghai, January 10; Hong Kong, January 13.
Alabama Maru—Mails close December 20, 6 p.m. Due at Yokohama January 15.
Australia and New Zealand
Sierra—Mails close December 13, 4 p.m. Due at Sydney January 6.
Aorangi—Mails close December 15, 4 p.m. Due at Auckland January 3; Sydney, January 8.
Tahiti—Mails close January 24, 4 p.m. Due at Wellington January 17; Sydney, January 22.

Canadian Ranger Is Bringing Big Cargo For Discharge Here

The C.G.M.M. steamer Canadian Ranger is expected to reach Ogden Point Pier tonight about 7:30 o'clock, inbound from Montreal and other ports. The ship has one of the largest cargoes to be brought in by a Government boat for some time, there being between 600 and 700 tons of freight for discharge here. She will clear for Vancouver from here.

VANCOUVER TRAFFIC SHOWS BIG INCREASE

Gain of Fifteen and Twenty Per Cent Noted in Some Instances Over Last Year's Figures

VANCOUVER, Dec. 30.—Port trade of Vancouver for the year that is drawing to a close this week will show an increase in some instances to fifteen and twenty per cent over 1925, according to preliminary estimates compiled from statistics of the Vancouver harbor commissioners. Deep-sea ships entering the port of Vancouver for 1926 will be about 1,085, as compared with 916 last year.
Net tonnage of foreign trade ships will be about 6,850,000 tons for 1926 as against 4,455,539 tons last year.
Total value of imports will be approximately \$146,720,000 as compared with \$129,280,958 last year. Logs and lumber exports show an immense gain. For the current year the total will be about \$13,900,000, as compared with only \$31,620,070 feet exported in 1925.

Board of Three Will Arrange New Agreement

VANCOUVER, Dec. 30.—Negotiations for a new agreement between the waterfront workers' association and the Shipping Federation of British Columbia have reached the stage of arbitration. A board of three will hear both sides in the argument and arrive at a decision. The longshoremen will be represented by President Lamden, the federation by F. H. Clendenning and these two will agree on an independent chairman.

New Companies Are Incorporated

Companies incorporated at the Parliament Buildings during the last week to do business in British Columbia included the following:
Ironclad Limited, \$10,000, Chilliwack, private; Mission Timber and Pole Company Limited, \$10,000, Vancouver, private; Reliable Garment Company Limited, \$10,000, Vancouver, private; Connaught Beach Club Hotel Limited, \$10,000, Vancouver, private; British Metals Exploration Company Limited (non-personal liability), \$500,000, Vancouver, public; York Agencies Limited, \$10,000, Vancouver, private; Jean Kemp Limited, \$10,000, Trail, private; Kienty Canning Company Limited, \$25,000, Victoria, private; Trail Steam Laundry Limited, \$25,000, Trail, private; Apex Mining Company Limited, \$100,000, Nelson, public; Galbraiths Limited, \$200,000, New Westminster, private; Jones & Son Tent and Awning Company Limited, \$150,000, Vancouver, private.

Extra Provincial companies registered: French Creek Development Company Limited, \$200,000, Vancouver, private; Blanchard Lumber Company, \$650,000 and 3,000 shares of no par value, Boston, Mass., and Vancouver; Hartman Paper Products Company Limited, \$55,000, Vancouver.

Winnipeg Grain Letter

WINNIPEG, Dec. 30.—Wheat: Strong cables and fair export business and considerable short covering due to the New Year holiday, gave the market a better tone today with prices higher throughout. While the full bulge was not held, closing figures were 1/2 to 3/4 higher. The selling came from elevator companies, while the pool was credited with selling May wheat at above 124 1/2. Chicago December advanced sharply due to extensive short covering, but the deferred futures were not as strong as Winnipeg. Liverpool closed 1/2 lower for December, but 1 1/2 higher for the deferred. Argentine shorts were said to be covering their deferred sales. Large tenders on December contract and switching of longes from December to the deferred futures caused the break in December and a consequent rally in the March and May. There was a fairly good local demand for cash wheat, but offerings were only moderate. The contract grades and the better quality toughs were selling at 1/2 to 3/4 better than at the close Wednesday, but No. 1 Nor. alone held on to its gain, being 2 1/2 over the December option at the close. Millers reported a moderate demand for flour, both export and domestic. Exports from Argentina this week are substantially larger and will increase from now on. Argentine weather is fine and favorable for harvesting and crop movement and threshing in becoming more or less general in the southern provinces. We see no change in the world's situation and suggest bulge sales.

Coarse Grains—The oats market was very dull with prices holding about unchanged. There was some demand for barley, especially the lower grades and rye followed the trend of wheat.
Flax: Dull but firm, market offerings light, but crushers show no interest.

Bank Clearings

Clearings at the Victoria Clearing House for the week ending yesterday were \$1,445,552, as compared with \$1,456,043 in the corresponding week of 1925.

C.P.R. EXPRESS BUSINESS GROWING

Fish and Fruit Traffic Shows Marked Improvement, Superintendent Reports

VANCOUVER, Dec. 30.—That Oriental business was increasing, the products from the mines moving in much larger quantities, while the fish and fruit traffic had increased enormously and in some respects greatly in excess of expectations, formed the basis of a report issued today from the superintendent's office at Vancouver of the Canadian Pacific Railway Express Company. The report also states that the financial business is on a very sound basis, and that money orders, travelers cheques and foreign exchanges are becoming more popular and more in demand every day. "These impressions," the report continues, "indicate that conditions as far as this division is concerned, which includes British Columbia and Alberta, have been most satisfactory throughout the year, and we are led to believe that we are on the eve of a new era of prosperity and are looking forward to still greater things in 1927."

LARGE TIMBER AREA SOLD TO AMERICANS

Mr. Eric Hamber, of Vancouver, Representing His Company, Disposes of Valuable Holding

The B.C. Mills' Timber and Trading Company, Ltd., of Vancouver, disposed of 2,400 acres of timber lands on the Campbell River yesterday to a strong American company which will proceed with the logging of the land, and the disposal of the timber. The sum paid to Mr. Eric Hamber, representing the former owners of the timber was \$1,325,000. Mr. James Moore, James Eddy, R. D. Merrill, Wallace McCamant, E. J. Garrett and A. S. Kerry.

It is anticipated that there will be no time lost in getting started on the cutting of the timber. The area is known as Lot 110, Sayward District.

Engineer Killed When Freight Trains Collide

SUMMIT, Pa., Dec. 30.—An engineer was killed and his freeman is believed to be dead under the wreckage as the result of one freight train running into the rear of another on the Lehigh Valley Railway here today. The engineer was John Johnson, of Sayre, Pa., driver of "he fast freight" running between Jersey City and Buffalo. His freeman is Michael Langan, of Pittsburgh, a junior at Lafayette College.

Another Ship Founders In Storm on Black Sea

ODESSA, Ukraine, Dec. 30.—Disasters received here today confirm the sinking of the vessel Astoria in the Black Sea, near the Rumanian coast, with the loss of twenty-one lives, but fail to identify her as an American. The sinking of the Rumanian freighter Protus, with her crew of eight, is also reported. Heavy snowstorms, accompanied by violent winds, are menacing shipping on the Black Sea and scores of steamers have cancelled their sailings.

Farmer Here Last Night

The Canadian Farmer was at Ogden Point for a short stay last night with a small amount of freight from California. She left for Vancouver after completing here.

Soviet Spends \$300,000 For Farm Implements

MONTREAL, Dec. 30.—During the past month the Union of Soviet Republics have placed in Canada orders for \$300,000 worth of farm implements, and we are in the market for more," stated Leonid F. Geras, agent-general and trade representative for Russia, in Canada, here today. M. Geras said that more binders than any other implements were bought because the co-operative purchase of a binder by a group of peasants makes possible the co-operative system of agriculture.



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For generations Cuticura Soap and Ointment have afforded the purest, sweetest and most satisfactory method of promoting and maintaining a healthy condition of the skin and scalp. Tender-faced men find the freely-lathering Cuticura Shaving Stick a necessity. Cuticura is a skin powder, cooling and refreshing.



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Tonight at 10:45



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A Big Snappy Show

SURPRISES!
NOVELTY ACTS!

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Now on Sale at Box Office

This is the night you stay up late anyway—so why not come
and stay up late for something worth while?

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Doors, 11:30; Curtain 11:45

Special programme, including popular
numbers from the New York Winter
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Ed. Redmond, Joe Kemper, Coliseum
Company and Girls

Prices: 35c, 50c, 75c. Book Early.

2:30 and 8:15 The Sleeping Beauty Usual Prices
Children Half Price to Matinee

COLISEUM

By special arrangements with the B.C.E.R., street cars will leave for
all outlying points at 12:45.

PAY NIGHT TONIGHT

TOM MIX

With TONY, the Wonder Horse, in

The Great K & A Train Robbery

"The Great K & A Train Robbery" was filmed at Royal Gorge, one
of the most beautiful spots in the world.

BUSTER BROWN COMEDY
Buffalo Bill, With Wallace MacDonald

MATINEE, 12c
EVENING, 25c
CHILDREN, 10c



Crystal Garden

New Year's
Eve
Supper

9 to 2
Tickets \$2.00 Each
Reserve Now

Come in
the Hokers Free

TORONTO, Dec. 28.—Rev. T. J. Mc-
Laren died here last night following a
brief illness of pneumonia. He had
been for more than thirty years a
minister in the Presbyterian church
and for the last three years a sec-
retary of the Upper Canada Bible So-
ciety.

PANTOMIME WEEK

The Greatest Double Bill We've Ever
Offered

On the Stage
Reginald Denny and Augmented Cast in
Full Length Pantomime

"PUSS IN BOOTS"

On the Screen
Betty Bronson and Theodore Roberts in
"THE CAT'S PAJAMAS"

PRICES AND SCHEDULE
Matinee Daily, 2:30. Night at 7 o'clock.
Revised Seating

Adults, 50c; Children, 25c.
Balance

Adults, 25c and 35c; Children, 15c.

PLAYHOUSE

Professor Boggs Heads
Collegiate Conference

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 28.—Mr. Theo
H. Boggs of the University of British
Columbia, was elected president of the
Pacific Collegiate Economic and
Commercial Conference in session
here. The next meeting will be held
during the Christmas holidays at
Vancouver, B.C. Mr. A. Smith, of
Oregon Agricultural College, was
elected secretary and treasurer. Mr.
W. R. Robinson, University of Cali-
fornia; Mr. Harry A. Burd, University
of Washington; and Dean W. L. Wan-
less, Utah Agricultural College, Le-
gion, Utah, were named as execu-
tive council.

At the Playhouses

Polish Actress Scores Hit in "Riddle: Woman"

Bertha Kalich Gives Brilliant Performance in
Drama of Polite Society Life in Denmark—Mar-
velous Voice Charms Audience at Royal Theatre

New Victorians do not have to take
the opinion of New Yorkers or people
who have been to New York that
Bertha Kalich is a great actress, for
in "The Riddle: Woman" last night,
at the Royal Victoria Theatre, Bertha
Kalich demonstrated to a delighted
Victoria audience that her acting
has none of the qualities of great-
ness.

The fame of the Polish tragedienne
is, of course, world-wide. But for
many years Bertha Kalich has been
the particular possession of the east-
ern fringe of this continent. Until
this year she has resisted all offers of
a tour to the Pacific Coast. Thus
Victorians who have not seen her
play in the East, and who have not
been content to read of her dramatic
powers or to be told of her by those
who have seen her before, will be
grateful for the enterprise of the
Kumtuka Club in bringing her to this
city. For Bertha Kalich is one of the
great actresses and to those who love
the drama, a great actress is one not
soon to be forgotten.

And the thing that perhaps will
linger longest in the memory about
Bertha Kalich is her voice. This is a
truly wonderful thing. If it is
nature and in the hands of a master
the violin is not capable of more de-
licate nuances of meaning. As a whis-
per or as a clamor in the hysterical
moments of Lilla Olrik, it is equally
penetrating, equally clear. One feels,
almost, that Bertha Kalich could
speak in ordinary tones at the Par-
liament Buildings and of the Cana-
dian way and be heard perfectly audibly
in the general vicinity of the Post-
office.

But there is more to Bertha Kalich
than merely a voice. There is the
presence that one expects to find
in an actress heralded as a great
tragedienne. There is the air of
dramatic power held in leash until
the right dramatic moment arrives in
the unfolding of the plot. And when
that dramatic moment arrives there
is power, and still more power. It
seems, in reserve. Her gestures are
instinct with drama. There is grace
in them and there is seeming inevi-
tability.

DOMINION "Pretty Ladies" was
THEATRE one of Monty Bell's
greatest screen
and now seems to be his screen de-
sire. For pretty ladies are the prin-
cipal sight on the settings where he
is directing a huge chorus that make
Fio Ziegfeld pale in envy, in
"Upstage." Norma Shearer's new
Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer vehicle at the
Dominion Theatre. The scene re-
sembles a huge "girls" army, and
the scene is a masterpiece of the
performers, headed by Oscar Shaw,
are principals, and a beauty chorus
of fifty takes part in the dances and
other details.

COLISEUM "The Sleeping Beauty"
THEATRE at the Coliseum will be
performed at the usual
time with a matinee in the afternoon.
The New Year will be welcomed by
a midnight revel which will take the
form of a cabaret show with an up-
to-date programme arranged by Mr.
Joe Kemper, the new leading man
who has recently joined the Coli-
seum Theatre from Los Angeles. Some
very attractive items will be found
on the programme, and among others
in which the company will be seen,
will be some reproduced from the
revue at the Winter Garden in New
York.

PLAYHOUSE "The Cat's Pajamas"
THEATRE now showing at the
Playhouse Theatre, concerns Betty
Bronson, a little
seamstress taking care of her in-
valid father, Theodore Roberts. She
has a cat, Tommy, for which she
makes a small party, a pajamas.
Hence the title. It is through the
misadventures of this cat-in-pajamas
that Betty's dream of meeting and
winning the love of Ricardo Cortez, a
"reputational opera tenor," is real-
ized.

COLUMBIA Edward Poll, Jr., has
THEATRE the role of Bill Tolson,
bandit leader, in "The
Great K & A Train Robbery."
Starring Tom Mix as the hero, the
western detective who runs down and
captures the outlaws. Among the
actors in "The Great K & A Train
Robbery" now playing at the Colum-
bia Theatre, are Dorothy Dwan, Wil-
liam Walling, Harry Gripp, Carl Mil-
lar and Curly Meleney.

CAPITOL Three winners of Uni-
THEATRE cal beauty contests ap-
pear in minor roles in
"Take It From Me," the latest pro-
duction starring Reginald Denny,
which is the present feature attrac-
tion at the Capitol Theatre. They are
Dorothy Gillingham, of Salt Lake City;
Joan Alden, of Chicago, and Dorothy
Kilchen, of New York City. All three
were adjudged the most beautiful
girls in their respective cities in con-
tests staged by Universal Pictures
Corporation, and won trips to Holly-
wood and contracts to play in pic-
tures as a result. All three show
great promise of becoming future
screen stars.

Twenty-Five Stars in Fun and Frolic Seen In "Recue of 1926"

Twenty-five stars, singers, dancers
and comedians. Just as many song
hits. Just as many more dance hits.
One laugh every three-quarters of a
minute. Settings, lighting effects and
spectacular costumes that have the
touch of both Paris and Broadway.
Sketches with the hilarious flavor
of the famous London music halls.
It's smart, unusual, full of novelties
and entirely different from anything
seen before. This is Capt. Plunkett's
Revue of 1926, which comes to the
Royal Theatre on Thursday, January
K, for a three-night stay, with a Sat-
urday matinee. It has more pretty
girls than a beauty contest and is
now known, in the theatrical world,
as a sister to the Dumbells, since the
later production is the only one
which can equal its popular success.
One of its outstanding drawing-cards
is the Dominion's most famous beauty,
Jean Ford Tolmie. "Miss Toronto,"

And she wears—oh! such gorgeous
gowns! By Isabelle Staff, Inc., the
programme says.
Bertha Kalich is acclaimed as a
tragedienne, but "The Riddle: Wom-
an" is by no means a tragedy. It is
a drama of so-called "polite society"
in Denmark—a somewhat refresh-
ingly unusual setting for this type of
play. It tells the story of how a
polished mountebank blackmails two
women, brings death to one and is
vanquished by the other. It is a
clever play, adapted by Charlotte E.
Wells and Dorothy Donnelly, from the
original of C. Jacoby.

As Lars Olrik, husband of Lilla,
Leonard Mude is an effective foil for
Bertha Kalich. There is a well-sus-
tained intensity about the play, and the
characterization demands from a man
who is required by the authors to
call his wife "Tiger-cat."

It is said that it is not easy to be a
convincing villain and not seem to
what is known in the vernacular of
the stage as "ham" acting. But War-
burton Gable, as Count Erik Hel-
singer makes it seem to be a very sim-
ple thing to be a thoroughly nasty
sort of villain and yet be perfectly
natural in voice and gesture, so ac-
complished in his work. Everling
he says is quite able, moreover,
which is a great help to any audience.

Ina Hards gives a talented portrayal
of a Danish girl in the slightly pos-
sioner age in the role of Marie Meyer.
Her playing in the scene with Lilla,
in which the latter warns her against
Count Helsing, was most cleverly
done. Incidentally, it may be said,
this was one of Bertha Kalich's most
effective scenes in the whole play.

Mary Hubbard, as Christine Jesper-
sen, had a most effective role to play,
and that she played it extremely well
is much to the credit of her histrionic
talent. Other members of the cast
who give excellent support are Mar-
garet Arrow, Natalie Alexander, Lola
Ernest, Misha Auer and Lester Alden.
The scenery is artistic and the play
will be repeated tonight. Tomorrow,
"Magda" will be presented at after-
noon and evening performances.

AMUSEMENTS
The Screen
Capitol—"Take It From Me,"
starring Reginald Denny.
Columbia—"Tom Mix in 'The
Great K & A Train Robbery.'"
Dominion—"Upstage" featuring
Norma Shearer.
The Stage
Coliseum—"The Sleeping Beau-
ty."
Playhouse—"Puss in Boots."
Royal—"The Riddle Woman."
Crystal Garden—Swimming and
Dancing.

The Canadian girl who was the sen-
sation of the recent Atlantic City
beauty contest.

Big Midnight Frolic Staged at Dominion Tonight

Tonight's the night. A capital pro-
gramme of surprise novelty acts will
be provided for the midnight audi-
ence at the Dominion tonight. The big
frolic starts immediately after the reg-
ular show. There will be novelties in
abundance for all and some dance and
meritment will see the old year out
and the new year in. Miss 1927 and
her attendants, a chorus of dainty
girls, will be seen at midnight, and
there will be lots of fun for
everybody. Special arrangements
have been made by the management
of the Dominion Theatre with the B.C.
Electric Railway Company to extend
the street car service until 12:45 a.m.
to accommodate the theatre's patrons.

Fire Destroys Village

QUAYQUIL, Ecuador, Dec. 30.—
The town of Naranjo, on the railway
to Quito, has been almost completely
destroyed by fire. It is estimated the
damage will reach 2,000,000 sucres
(nominally \$1,440,000). Aid has been
sent to the inhabitants, almost all of
whom are homeless.



She: "Should you love me if I were
poor?"
He: "Yes, dear—like a brother!"
—Kasper, Stockholm.



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MARITIMES NEED UNITY OF EFFORT

Premier of New Brunswick and
Federal Minister of Marine and
Fisheries, Hon. J. B. Macdonald,
Work for Common Good

SAINT JOHN, N.B., Dec. 30.—In
addresses, one by Hon. Dr. J. B. Mac-
donald, Premier of New Brunswick,
and the other by Hon. P. J. Vanlot,
Postmaster-General of Canada, deliv-
ered before the fifth annual ban-
quet of the Saint John Commercial
Travelers' Association last night,
both speakers strongly advocated the
sinking of party politics for the com-
mon good and advancement of the
Maritime Provinces.

"Commercialize the idea of greater
unity throughout the Maritimes," was
the plea of the Postmaster-General.
"If the recommendations of the
Duncan report are adopted they will
do much to keep the Maritimes Pro-
vinces on an even keel," was the claim
of Hon. Dr. Baxter.

SHOCKS OCCUR IN SOME PARTS HOURLY

Seismologist of Jena University
Places Annual Average Fre-
quency at 9,000

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The
earth is not shaking any more than it
used to, but people are noticing it
more.

This is the answer of Director
Tondorf of the Georgetown Univer-
sity Observatory to the flood of in-
quiries reaching him as to whether
earthquakes are increasing in num-
ber and frequency.

Tremors Reported Fully
Because of the precision of instru-
ments which record tremors, the pub-
lic is informed constantly through its
newspapers of disturbances of the
earth's crust in all parts of the globe.
The lay belief that the shocks are
becoming closer together is a result of
this publicity.

"The layman, unofficially interest-
ed in the realness of the earth's
crust, should know the truth," says
Dr. Tondorf. "The problem of com-
puting earthquake frequency was first
scientifically undertaken by Count de
Montessus de Ballore, one-time direc-
tor of the Seismological Observatory
of the Government of Chile. In 1900,
after a close analysis of the then
available earthquake records, 131,282
in number, he placed the annual
average earthquake occurrence at
3,430, equivalent to an earth shock
every two hours and twenty-seven
minutes.

Violent Every Three Days
Four years afterward, Dr. August
Sieberg, of the University of Jena,
questioned the estimate as too low. A
recalculation made by him in 1923
lifted the annual average frequency
to 9,000, or about one every hour.
Five thousand of these quakes he in-
dicated as being felt sensibly on some
part of the earth's surface in varying
intensities. Violent quakes, classified
by others as world-shaking, occur at
intervals of every one and one-half
days, either on the continents or on
the ocean's bottom. Those on land,
however, average every fifth day.
"Of course, the least immune of all
United States territory, is visited
by a shock on an average of eighty-
one times annually. The liability of
one of these shocks being heavy is
about one-eighteenth of one per cent."

Chairman of World Poultry Committee



DR. J. H. GRISDALE
Deputy Minister of the Canadian Department
of Agriculture, is chairman of the World
Poultry Congress Committee and will have
much to do with the preparations for a
huge gathering of poultrymen which is set
for Ottawa next July.

Would Draw Motor Power From Sea

Prof. Georges Claude
Of France, declares that an unlimited supply
of motor power can be obtained from the
sea at minimum cost.



Remarkable Flower

After taking ten years to flower, a
rare and curious tropical vegetable
at Kew Gardens has bloomed so mas-
sively that it has almost killed itself.

For a few hours it indulged in a
sheer debauch of beauty; then it
wilted and sagged through exhaus-
tion.

The amorphophallus titanum, a
native of Sumatra, has an enormous
flower with a most nauseating stench
during the few hours that it is in full
bloom. The flower at Kew, which
burst into its full beauty was five feet
nine inches high and three feet
across. The smell is to attract fer-
tilizing insects.

From a thick stem about a foot
high an enormous cup opened. The
inner surface of the cup was a deep
red and the outside green. Out of
this cup, and for three feet above it,
rose a thick yellow stem. What the
visitor saw resembled an inverted
bell with a long striking hammer.

What he did not see was at the bot-
tom of the bell and clustering round
the stem a hundred little reddish-
yellow flowers.

The Kew amorphophallus may
never bloom again. It is to be taken
from the Victoria House, where it has
been on view, to its special house,
and an attempt will be made to save
its life, but the gardener who has
been looking after it is not very hope-
ful.

Only once before has an amorpho-
phallus bloom been seen at Kew,
that was in 1839.

Raise Price of Papers

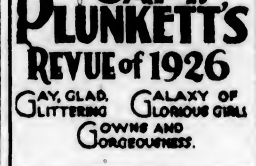
SYDNEY, N.S.W., Dec. 30.—(Van-
couver Province Cable) — Sydney
newspapers have been compelled to
increase the price of their papers
from a penny to a penny halfpenny
owing to the state's imposition of a
halfpenny tax on every copy. The
legality of the measure is likely to be
contested in the courts.

Moneylender: "Pray, my good
man what is your occupation?"
Client: "I am a collector of vari-
ous species of fruits and vegetables."
"Ah, a gardener."
"No, just an actor."

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PRESIDENT SENDS MESSAGE TO STAFF

Work of Canadian Pacific Is Only
Limited by Breadth of Nation's
Opportunity

MONTREAL, Dec. 30.—In a New
Year's greeting to all officers and
employees of the Canadian Pacific
Railway, Mr. E. W. Beatty, chairman
and president of the company, after
congratulating them on their work in
the past twelve months, points out
the coming year has special interest
as marking the sixtieth anniversary of
Confederation to give effect to which
the Canadian Pacific was built. He
said that pride in what the company
has accomplished should furnish en-
couragement to further effort in the
thought that its work was far from
finished. Mr. Beatty's message is as
follows:

"To all officers and employees:
"As the year 1926 passes I am again
able to congratulate all ranks of the
company upon another twelve months'
continued achievement in service of
Canada. We are entering a new year
which has for us a special interest, as
it marks the sixtieth anniversary of
Canadian Confederation. Built to
give effect to that confederation the
Canadian Pacific has ever since been a
vital factor in the country's develop-
ment. While we may well take pride
in what the company has accom-
plished we should not encourage
to further effort in the thought that
its work is far from finished. That
work is limited only by the breadth of
Canadian opportunity and our suc-
cess will always depend on the loyal
and active co-operation of every mem-
ber of the company. To all officers
and employees I offer for myself and
on behalf of the company my hearty
wishes that their new year may be
happy and prosperous."
(Signed) "E. W. BEATTY."

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Vancouver Island News

FIRE OCCURS AT RIALTO THEATRE

SCOW LOADED WITH SHINGLES BECOMES PARTIALLY SUBMERGED

Welcome Rain Clears Snow From Highway, Enabling Stage Traffic to Resume

PORT ALBERNI, Dec. 30.—On Christmas Day fire did some damage to the Rialto Theatre here. The fire started early in the afternoon at the rear of the building, and it took the fire department over an hour to check it. The upstairs was flooded and the damage is estimated at least \$12,000 with no insurance. The Elks Club, which has its quarters on the second floor, suffered also but their loss is fairly covered with insurance.

A scow loaded with shingles from the Alberni Pacific Lumber Company's shingle mill was partly submerged on Monday morning. The scow was being loaded at the local pier preparatory to being taken out to the Ss. Skagway and when the tide receded one end of the scow, which was so twisted with the heavy load that it is doubtful if it can be used again. The shingles had to be transferred to another scow. The Skagway, which is at present loading at the Alberni Pacific Lumber Company's pier, will take on 1,100,000 feet of lumber and about 1,250,000 of shingles, all for foreign ports. Rain, which has been heavy during the last twenty-four hours, has left



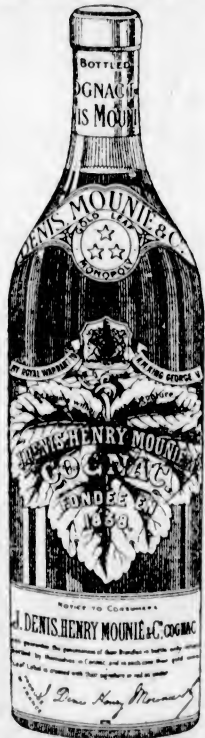
Treat Colds Externally

For sore throat, bronchitis or deep chest colds, rub Vicks VapoRub briskly over throat and chest and cover with warm flannel.

Vicks acts in two ways—both direct: absorbed like a liniment and inhaled as a vapor. A quick relief for the cold troubles of all the family.

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the ground bare again. This situation is very welcome to the Union Stages and to motorists in general. The Union Stages between here and Nanaimo, operating two stages a day, encountered much trouble during the last two weeks, but with the exception of two or three trips, they have kept up a fairly steady schedule. The Christmas passenger traffic has been particularly heavy this season.

Funeral at Mount Newton
BREWSTER, Dec. 29.—The funeral took place at the Catholic cemetery, Mount Newton, of Mr. Patrick Conell. Mr. Conell was for many years an employee of the B. C. Cement Company's plant at Tod Inlet.

Alberni Agricultural Society Elects Its Officers for Year

ALBERNI, Dec. 30.—The annual meeting of the Alberni District Industrial and Agricultural Society was held in the Court House, Alberni, on Wednesday afternoon, December 29, when the secretary-treasurer presented the report and the officers were elected for the ensuing year.

The new officers were as follows: President, T. Newell; vice-president, W. Strick; directors, Meadames W. Strick, W. Green, T. Maher, L. Larsen, T. Atkinson, A. G. Croft, G. Lundine and H. Higginbottom; Messrs. Geo. Richardson, M. M. Stephens, W. J. Eaves, R. Pugh, T. Goodall, J. Mulcaster and C. James.

Mr. Geo. Richardson, the retiring president, in replying to the hearty vote of thanks that he was accorded, thanked the directors for the wholehearted support that he had received during his tenure of office, and stated that he was sure the same would be received by Mr. T. Newell.

Mr. R. V. Hayne, who was again elected secretary-treasurer, was heartily complimented by the meeting on the efficient and businesslike manner in which he had handled the business of the society.

The treasurer reported that taking into consideration the money standing to the credit of the building fund, that approximately \$100 stood to the credit of the society after all outstanding accounts had been paid.

UNKNOWN FIRE
BURNS RESIDENCE
Fierce Blaze at Haslam Creek Destroys House—Narrow Escape of Family

LADYSMITH, Dec. 30.—The residence of Mr. Alex. Galloway, Haslam Creek, Cedar district, was completely destroyed by fire about 6 o'clock Tuesday evening. It was with great difficulty that neighbors and friends who were attracted to the scene by the flames, succeeded in saving the barn and other outbuildings.

Mr. and Mrs. Galloway were absent, being on a visit to friends, but their four sons, all young men, were sitting in the kitchen making themselves comfortable for the evening after the duties of the day, when they heard the crackling of fire and upon opening the doorway leading to the bedrooms and the upper portion of the house, flames burst so fiercely that the occupants were obliged to escape from the house without having time to collect their shoes or other wearing apparel.

The building burned quickly, being fanned with a high wind, and in about fifteen minutes it was reduced to smoldering ruins. Three bicycles, which were in the basement, were the only articles of the furniture and contents which were saved. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Basketballers Win
And Lose at Brentwood
BREWSTER, Dec. 29.—Three games of basketball were played in the old West Road Hall on Monday evening between the rival teams of Keating and the West Road. In the ladies' game and the men's intermediate the visitors were victorious, but in the men's senior game the locals played in their old style and utterly routed their opponents.

The lineup was as follows: Keating Ladies—D. Mitchell, O. Young, R. Young, H. Ryan, N. Ryan, twenty-three points. West Road Ladies—A. Rice, L. Clarke, E. Anderson, O. Anderson, M. Peden, thirteen points. Keating Intermediate—W. Tanner, A. Atkinson, F. Mitchell, L. Ryan, A. Rickford, twenty points. West Road Intermediate—A. Ryan, C. Creed, C. Butler, R. Ledingham, J. Brooks, sixteen points. Keating Senior—F. Hales, W. Turgoose, D. Bates, R. Mitchell, A. Le Marquand, fourteen points. West Road—J. Lannan, M. Lannan, H. Tulman, G. Lannan, M. Rice.

After the game a very enjoyable dance was held, with Edlin's three-piece orchestra, refreshments being served by the committee. As next Friday is New Year's Eve there will be no games until the following Friday, January 7, when the locals will play the Sons of England.

Well-Known Resident Bereaved at Metchoshin

METCHOSHIN, Dec. 30.—Deep sympathy is felt in the district for Mr. T. Helgesen, who lost his only child, Margaret Fulton Helgesen, who died very suddenly on Tuesday evening, at the home of her uncle, Mr. H. C. Helgesen, where she was spending the holidays. She was born sixteen years ago in Vancouver, and leaves her father and many relatives and friends.

The funeral will leave the Thomson General Parlors on Friday at 2 o'clock, the interment taking place at St. Mary's, Metchoshin, at 3 o'clock.

MAN IS MISSING FROM SS. SKAGWAY

Seattle Resident Disappears After Arrival on Deck of Vessel Berthed at Port Alberni

PORT ALBERNI, Dec. 30.—Search throughout this district for Joseph F. Fay, of 326 Yale Street North, Seattle, who was last seen when he boarded the vessel in port here late last night, having proved fruitless, fears were expressed this afternoon that he had fallen overboard and been drowned. Drugging operations in the vicinity, however, have not yet been successful in recovering his body.

A taxi driver who drove Fay from the hotel where he spent the evening, to the waterfront, was the last person known to have seen him. The driver reported that the missing man went aboard the Skagway and walked forward along the deck. Fay was married only a short time ago.

KEATING DISTRICT CHILDREN CELEBRATE

South Saanich Women's Institute Arranges Successful Entertainment

KEATING, Dec. 30.—Tuesday afternoon proved to be a gala time for the children of the Keating district, when an afternoon party and Christmas tree was held for them under the auspices of the South Saanich Junior Institute Club.

The greater part of the time was spent in the playing of games by the children, all entering into their favorite games with hearty enthusiasm. The hunt for the lucky number was won by Dennis Ryan, who was awarded a prize. Posing was also much enjoyed to music supplied by the Orthophonic gramophone of Mr. L. Collins, kindly loaned for the purpose.

About four-thirty the guests sat down to tea, which was daintily laid out on two long beautifully decorated tables in the dining-room. Many dainties were provided for the children, such as candies, ice cream, jellies and cream and fruit, much to their delight. The committee in charge of the affair, Messdames J. J. Young, R. Randall, G. Hadden, Sutherland and Warner, were assisted in serving by members of the Junior Institute.

Had been done to the numerous goodies and the last Christmas cracker pulled the guests returned to the main hall, where much excitement was caused by the arrival of Santa Claus in the person of Mr. W. Keeney, who presented each guest with a well-filled Christmas stocking from the large Christmas tree, which occupied one corner of the room. After his mission had been fulfilled, Santa was forced to leave children, after wishing him good-bye, to continue his other errands. He returned to the opening of their stockings, which were found to contain many good things. The committee in charge spent much time and care in preparing for the affair, and much credit is due them and to all who assisted in any way for the success of the affair.

CHRISTMAS PARTY HELD AT DUNCAN

Small Children of Ex-Servicemen Are Entertained by Canadian Legion Post

DUNCAN, Dec. 29.—A most successful Christmas party was staged at the Rest Hall yesterday afternoon under the auspices of the local Canadian Legion and Auxiliary, the guests being the children under fourteen of those who lost their lives in the Great War and of district ex-servicemen, gifts and tea being supplied for 170 children.

Tea was in the capable hands of Mrs. J. Dunkeld, assisted by Messdames Castle, Owen, Brookbank, Ryall and Goddard. "Cookhouse Door" sounded at four o'clock by Bugler W. Dennis, brought the children to laden tables attractively decorated with miniature Christmas trees and colored paper by Mrs. H. P. Swan and Mrs. W. M. Keatley, assisted by Mrs. Redgrave and Mrs. Myers.

After the parents had also had their tea, the bugle announced the coming of Santa Claus. The tree, a large one brought in and erected by Comrades Castle, Keatley, McRae, Palmer, Stephenson, and Redgrave, was beautifully lighted with colored electric lights by Comrade Kinch and decorated by Messdames Gibbs, Russell and Purver. Presents were given out by Santa Claus in the person of Comrade Ross, who was in merry mood, and kept the children constantly amused with his antics.

Annual Christmas Party at Bamberton

BAMBERTON, Dec. 29.—The annual Christmas party given by the Bamberton Cement Company was held on Thursday afternoon and evening. The hall had been beautifully decorated with evergreens and streamers.

About 200 people sat down to a table laden with dainties, delicacies. Mr. Anderson and Mr. Tomalin, members of the board of directors, both gave short speeches. A very well executed "His Royal Highness" was danced by the children. Gifts to everyone were distributed from the Christmas tree. A short programme was presented, the contributing solo, Mr. J. R. Hughes; song, Mrs. Baker; song, Mrs. Savage; song, Mr. R. Baker; Dutch dance, Misses Edith Barlow and Edith Hall. Later in the evening the floor was cleared for dancing. Miss' orchestra providing the music, and the fun was kept up until the "wee sma' hours."

When you get that tired, lay-me-down-and-die feeling take 15 to 30 drops of Seltzer Syrup in a glass of water. You'll feel like new. (Advt.)

UNITED CHURCH AT DUNCAN CELEBRATES

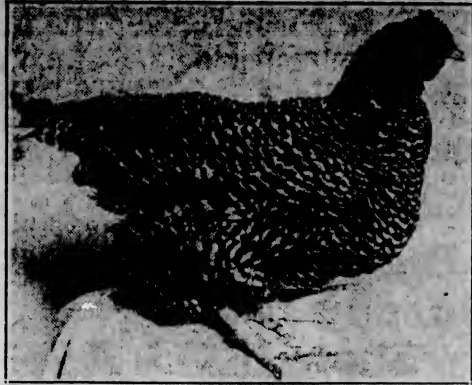
Gifts for Children of Orphanage Are Brought by Scholars of Sunday School

DUNCAN, Dec. 30.—Owing to adverse weather conditions, the attendance at the Christmas concert of the Duncan United Church, held in the church hall, on Tuesday evening, was not as large as usual. An excellent programme was presented by members of the school, all departments, from primary to adult Bible class, being represented. Instead of the usual tree with gifts for the members of the school, the scholars brought gifts for the children of the Orphanage in Victoria. During the programme a suitable hymn was sung by the school. The classes in turn taking their white-wrapped gifts and placing them on a white-covered table. Rev. W. E. Burns, pastor of the church, was chairman for the evening.

After the singing of a Christmas hymn, and prayer offered by Mr. Burns, the following programme was given:

Violin solo, "Cavatina," Florence Mains, accompanied at piano by Mr. W. A. Willett; carol, "Glory in the Highest," Junior Choir; recitation, "Christmas Tree Farm," Bertram Thorpe; duet, "O Little Town of Bethlehem," Mabel Owen and Bernice Thorpe, accompanied by Hazel Mains; sketch, "The Christmas Spirit," C. G. I. T. Group; carol, "Away in a Manger," Dorothy Owen, Betty Talbot and Kathleen Melver; recitation, "The Funny Man," Leonard Thorpe; sketch, "The Day After Christmas," Mabel Burkholder, Ephraim Burkholder and Don Campbell; dialogue, "The Stranger's Query," Edith Drom, Inez Woodward, Kathleen Melver, Dorothy Owen and Verna Richmond; white gift service hymn, "We Give Thee But Thine Own," presentation of gifts; reading, "The Legend of the White Gifts," by Nancy McEwen; recitation, "A Word to Santa," Ernest Bangs; recitation, "Christmas Bells," Mar-

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garet Seely; sketch, "Wanted, a Wife," Mrs. A. M. Drom, May and Marguerite Drom and Ernest Fleet. Mr. A. W. Johnson, superintendent of the Sunday school, read letters of greeting from Miss Goodmote, of Portland, Oregon, and Miss Olive F. Fleming, of Alliance, Alberta, former teachers of the school. The absence of the associate superintendent, Mr. L. A. Thorpe, through illness, was greatly regretted.

At the close of the programme a generous supply of candies, nuts and oranges was distributed among the children.

President Returns

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—President and Mrs. Coolidge arrived here early today from Trenton, N.J., where the President spoke last night at the Battle of Trenton celebration.

CATHOLIC WORKERS FORMULATE DEMANDS

Confederation of Quebec Religious Present Schedule for Proposed New Legislation

QUEBEC, Dec. 30.—The formation of a supreme labor council in the Province of Quebec, the nomination of a Superior Court Judge to arbitrate disputes between employers and employees when such are brought before the courts, the payment of a bonus of \$25 to indigent families, on demand of the latter following the birth of every fifth and successive child, and the passing of a law making it obligatory for all automobile owners to insure themselves against accidents, are the principal demands which will be submitted to the Quebec Provincial Government for adoption at the forthcoming session of the Legislature by a delegation representing the Confederation of Catholic Workers of the Province of Quebec, who arrived here yesterday.

Ear Badly Chewed

VANCOUVER, Dec. 30.—With his right ear badly chewed, allegedly the result of a fight, Albert Wilson was taken to the General Hospital at 3 o'clock this morning. Police are investigating the alleged fight.

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- Coats For **\$20.00** Coats of Pinpoint, Marvella and Tweed, with fur collars and cuffs; wrap-over and tailored models. They have patch pockets and inverted pleat. Sizes 16 to 50. **\$20.00**
- Coats For **\$25.00** Very Dressy Coats of pinpoint, velour or tweed, trimmed with such reliable furs as sealine, fitch, Thibetina, mouflon and opossum. All popular shades. Great value at **\$25.00**
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—Mantle Dept., 1st Floor

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- Smart Winter Coats, tailored or novelty styles, with fur collars or collar and cuffs; for 8 to 14 years. Values to \$11.95. On sale for **\$7.95**
- Girls' Coats of blanket cloth, velours and tweeds, tailored or fur-trimmed; smart styles for ages 12 to 14 years. Values to \$14.95. On sale for **\$10.95**
- Misses' Coats of velour cloth, marvella and tweeds; all smart new shades, fur-trimmed; also a few Navy Chinchilla Tailored Coats. Values to \$21.00. On sale for **\$15.75**

—Children's Wear, 1st Floor

Girls' Smart Two-Piece Dresses for School On Sale for \$3.75

Middy Dresses of navy serge, with pleated skirts and middy trimmed with red braid. Dresses with pleated plaid skirts, and navy jumper with plain collar and cuffs. Styles and sizes for girls from 8 to 14 years. On sale for **\$3.75**

—Children's Wear, 1st Floor

Midwinter Sale Bargains in THE CORSET SECTION

- Brassieres of fancy pink cotton brocade, back hook style, with elastic in waist line. On sale, each **\$3.95**
- Corsettes of strong pink cotton broche, side hook style, elastic over hips, and lightly boned across abdomen. On sale for **\$1.00**
- Corset Belts, red and large sizes, made of fancy pink cotton in side hook style, with light boning in front; or of strong pink coutil, fastened in front with three strong domes. On sale, each **\$1.00**
- Corsettes of satin striped cotton, side hook style, with sections of elastic in hips; lightly boned. On sale for **\$1.69**
- Brassieres of heavy white broche, back hook, extra deep style, with elastic in sides. Regular \$2.50 each. On sale for **\$1.49**

—Corsets, 1st Floor

Girls' Navy Serge Gym Tunics and Skirts for School Wear

Gym Tunics of fine English serges, square yoke style, with three box pleats back and front, on square or round necks; finished with belt. Sizes for 5 to 15 years. Priced according to size and quality **\$4.50** to **\$9.50**

Girls' Navy Serge Skirts, various styles, steam pleated, with detachable bodice of white cotton. Sizes for 5 to 15 years. Priced according to size and quality, from **\$3.00** to **\$7.50**

—Children's Wear, 1st Floor

Navy and Black Pleated Skirts \$3.90 and \$6.90

Skirts of Poirer twill and tricotine, in assorted pleats, plain styles, trimmed with buttons and narrow belt. Sizes 27 to 31. Regular \$9.00. On sale for **\$3.90**

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—Mantle, 1st Floor

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- Dresses of crepe de Chine, Poirer twill, charmeen and corded silk, designed in all the latest styles; skirts with kick or box pleats, fancy or tailored sleeves. All the newest shades. Great values **\$15.00**
- Velvet, Silk and Cloth Dresses, shown in a great number of pretty styles, including bolero, straightline or two-piece effects; all attractively trimmed and in pleasing shades. **\$20.00**
- Fine Grade Silk and Cloth Dresses, showing newest styles, in mode and trimming; suitable for afternoon or evening wear; sizes 16 to 46. **\$25.00**
- Showing a Variety of Fine Silk and Cloth Dresses, in most popular styles; shades rose, reseda, brown, Copenhagen. Sizes 16 to 46. **\$30.00**

—Mantle Dept., 1st Floor

A Sale of Knitted Coats and Suits

Of All-Wool and Silk and Wool

\$5.00, \$10.00 and \$15.00

- Full Length Silk and Wool Coats, mixtures and plain colors, trimmed with brushed wool. Each **\$5.00**
- White Wool Coats, full length and with novelty collar and cuffs. On sale for **\$10.00**
- Two-Piece Suits, with coats or in pull-over style, knitted wool; plain colors and mixtures. Sizes 16 to 40 **\$10.00**
- Two-Piece Suits, coat or pull-over styles, in balbrigan, wool or fibre silk; skirts plain or pleated; plain and two-tone effects. Each **\$15.00**

—Mantle, 1st Floor

Pull-Overs and Cardigans \$3.98 and \$5.98

- All-Wool Pull-Overs, smart styles, with long sleeves and V neck. All-over patterns; check effect. On sale **\$3.98**
- All-Wool Cardigans, in neat styles and colors, with two pockets **\$5.98**
- Pull-Overs of silk and wool, plain, with small collar and two pockets **\$5.98**

—Sweaters, 2nd Floor

Over-Blouses

Reduced for the Midwinter Sale

- Broadcloth Over-Blouses in neat tailored styles. Sizes 34 to 44. On sale for **\$1.98**
- Wool Delaine Over-Blouses in pretty floral patterns and colorings; tailored style. On sale, each **\$2.98**
- Spun Silk Tailored Over-Blouses, with short sleeves, slip-over style. On sale, each **\$3.98**
- Our Best Quality Spun Silk Tailored Over-Blouses and Tricoline Over-Blouses, in straight or vest effect. All on sale, each **\$5.98**

—Blouses, 1st Floor

Knitted Ensemble Suits

Suits consist of full length coats, with dress to match; they have clipped wool collars, and are shown in two-tone effects. Sizes 16 to 38 **\$25.00** to **\$35.00**

—Mantle, 1st Floor

House Dresses on Sale for \$1.39

A selection of Rayon and Broadcloth House Dresses, plain and patterned in neat designs, all attractive styles and great value. Each **\$1.39**

—White Wear, 1st Floor

Sale of Winter Millinery

All our Colored Winter Models and Tinsel Hats. Values from \$12.50 to \$25.00. To clear at, each **\$6.98**

A few very good Black Velvet and Satin Afternoon Models, in excellent condition, all black or with slight relief. Values from \$12.50 to \$27.50, for **\$6.98**, **\$9.98** and **\$12.50**

The remainder of our stock of Velvet and Felt Hats to be cleared at **\$2.98**, **\$3.98** and **\$4.98**

A small quantity of "Catalina" Velour Hats in various colors. Regular \$16.50. To clear at **\$9.98**

"Catalina" Felt hats in choice and unusual colorings, \$10.00 values, to clear at **\$6.98**

All Children's Hats, values from \$2.95 to \$6.95, to clear at **\$1.98**

—Millinery, 1st Floor

Last Day of Our Special Sale of
Boyd-Welsh Vogue Shoes at \$9.90 a Pair

Midwinter Sale of Men's Suits and Overcoats



Overcoats, including blue chinchillas and heavy coatings, silk and Venetian lined, single and double breasted. Sizes 34 to 44. Regular \$25.00. **\$12.50**

Overcoats of Blue Chinchilla and Heavy Tweeds, single and double breasted, half belter and loose backs; latest patterns. Regular to \$30.00 for. **\$18.50**

High-Grade Overcoats, English and Canadian makes, blue chinchillas, meltons and other wool cloths; silk and plush lined. Regular to \$45.00 for. **\$24.50**

Suits of Tweed and Worsted, in newest shades, including pin stripes, herringbones, plain and heather; sizes 34 to 42. Regular to \$22.00 for. **\$11.75**

Suits for young men or conservative dressers, single and double breasted, tweeds and worsteds; popular colors and patterns. Regular to \$30.00 for. **\$18.50**

Suits of English Worsteds and Tweeds, high grade, styles for all, latest shades and colorings. Regular prices to \$35.00. On sale for. **\$23.50**

—Men's Clothing, Main Floor

Men's Raincoats

Regular Prices to \$10.00; On Sale for \$5.95

Heavy Double-Breasted Raincoats, with two-way collars. Sizes 34 to 38. On sale for **\$5.95**